

State University of New York College at Buffalo - Buffalo State College  
**Digital Commons at Buffalo State**

---

The Fifth Freedom

The Madeline Davis Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual,  
Transgender Archives of Western New York

---

9-1-1981

## Fifth Freedom, 1981-09-01

The Mattachine Society of the Niagara Frontier

Follow this and additional works at: <http://digitalcommons.buffalostate.edu/fifthfreedom>



Part of the [Feminist, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Commons](#)

---

### Recommended Citation

The Mattachine Society of the Niagara Frontier, "Fifth Freedom, 1981-09-01" (1981). *The Fifth Freedom*. 80.  
<http://digitalcommons.buffalostate.edu/fifthfreedom/80>

This Book is brought to you for free and open access by the The Madeline Davis Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender Archives of Western New York at Digital Commons at Buffalo State. It has been accepted for inclusion in The Fifth Freedom by an authorized administrator of Digital Commons at Buffalo State. For more information, please contact [digitalcommons@buffalostate.edu](mailto:digitalcommons@buffalostate.edu).

# THE FIFTH FREEDOM

A PUBLICATION FOR THE BUFFALO GAY COMMUNITY

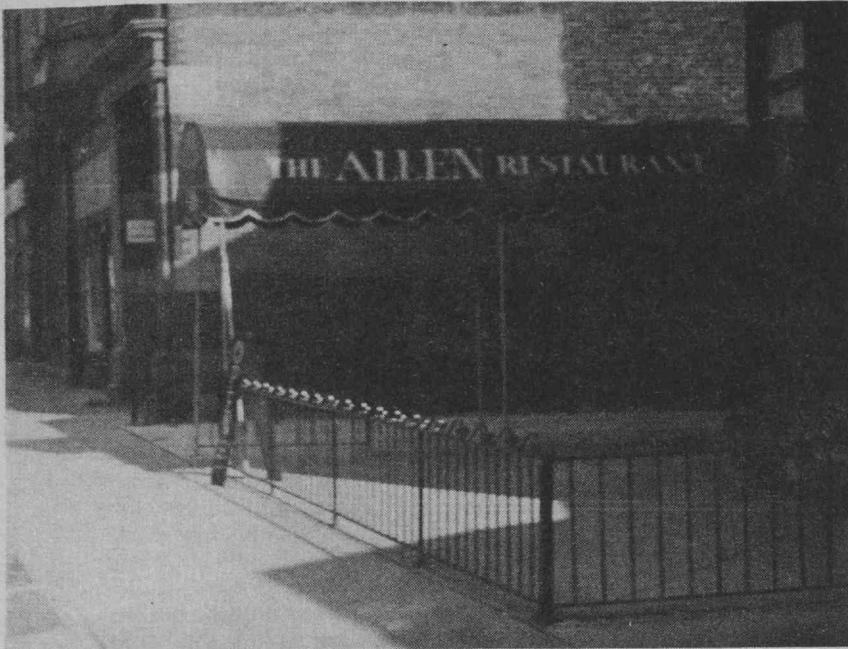
September 1981

FREE

"The Freedom to love whomever and however we want"

## Mattachine Files Federal Suit vs. New York State

by John A. Faulring, Jr.



The Allen Restaurant has expanded to be able to accomodate their increasing business.

### The Allen Restaurant: A Gay Business Grows

By JOHN A. FAULRING, JR.

After one-and-a-half years at their current location Dan and Joe, of the Allen Restaurant, have expanded their facilities. Recently they opened the front portion of the current building to accommodate up to 25 more people during their busiest hours.

In February 1980, after 3 years at 45 Allen, they were forced to look for a new location due to a fire in the building that housed them. (Note: That fire also forced Marra-kesh and Mattachine to move.)

They found their current location and did a lot of repairs to convert the old house to suitable space for them. They have now been open at 16 Allen for business long enough to have an ever-growing clientele that was the reason for the added space.

With a staff of seven, Dan and Joe have established a neighborhood meeting and eating place they can truly be proud of. During weekday lunch hours they are packed with business people looking for a change from fast food.

**This is definitely** the place for a change. From the soup course, prepared by Dan, to the desserts, Joe's specialty, you have to go there expecting the best.

The regulars don't need to look at the standard menu as the choices are limited, but nonetheless good. The real treat is looking at the specials board to see what is offered that particular day. There are usually three to four and they vary from cold to hot, vegetarian to meat, fish and poultry. Sandwiches are a treat, too.

On a recent night a group of Fifth Freedom staff and friends visited the new room for a Friday night dinner.

The decor of the entire restaurant is designed for feeling right at home, and the new dining area is no exception. The red and white checked table cloths, the Judy Garland and other old photos, and the small white lampshades with their fringe swaying in the gentle breeze of the overhead fans all add to an enjoyable meal.

The only bad part of this evening was the fact that they had not gotten the sound system hooked up yet, so we missed out on the fantastic recorded music. No, this is not the normal Muzak kind; it is all oldies, but goodies mixed in with show tunes and songs you don't even hear on the mellow stations in the area. A real treat, while you eat.

**Dan and Joe** are both very attentive to all of their customers. It is a real pleasure to be treated as friends as well as customers.

The soup course that night started with Manhattan Clam Chowder and Minese-trone, the house regular. All the soups served here are very hearty and do not have the manufactured look or taste. Home-made appearance and taste are the standard here. My only complaint, and it is my fault and I know better, is that the soups are not overly salted. The flavors are fine and the choice is yours as to the additional salt. On a follow up visit they had cold Gazpacho, which is second only to mine in taste.

Then onto the salads. They are a regular chef mixture with a choice of regular Italian, creamy Italian, or French, with oil and vinegar for the diet conscious. Nothing spectacular, but a good size portion to start off the meal.

Then comes individually baked loaves of bread. Joe bakes all of them at the restaurant so freshness is assured. The bread is firm and delicious and always nice and warm. For a real treat, order the garlic bread made from the same loaves. Great!

Continued on page 9

### Our Cover: Federal Court Building in Buffalo

Our cover this month is a picture of the Federal Court building here in Buffalo. This is where Federal Judge John T. Curtin will be hearing arguments for both sides involved with Mattachine's lawsuit to have the loitering law declared unconstitutional.

The Mattachine Society of the Niagara Frontier, Inc. has filed a suit in Buffalo in Federal Court seeking to void enforcement of the New York State law against loitering that has been enforced here against homosexuals.

The civil rights class action suit was filed Aug. 13 on behalf of an estimated half million Gays in New York State. It names as defendants Buffalo Police Commissioner James B. Cunningham, Vice Squad Captain Kenneth P. Kennedy, Erie County District Attorney Edward C. Cosgrove and State Attorney General Robert Abrams.

Representing Mattachine in the suit is attorney William H. Gardner, who was the lawyer in the case that led to a ruling last December by the State Court of Appeals, in Rochester, that the state consensual sodomy law was unconstitutional.

According to John A. Faulring, Jr., a plaintiff in the suit and the president of Mattachine, the suit claims that since consensual sodomy is no longer illegal as a result of the Court of Appeals decision, neither should it be illegal to remain in a public place to solicit another to engage in that activity. "The loitering statute, as now enforced, denies my right and the right of other Gay men and women, to free speech and assembly," he said. "However, at the present time the law has only been enforced against gay males. There is no report of a Lesbian being arrested under the law. It could happen any time though."

**Mattachine contends** that the loitering law is enforced "more vigorously" in Buffalo than anywhere else in the state. "There is virtually no enforcement of the loitering law in New York City because of different social mores," Faulring said, "Yet the law so vigorously enforced here by the Buffalo Vice Squad is just as applicable there. That is why we felt it was necessary for us to challenge this unfair statute. We are the ones who are being hit by the arrests, bookings and danger of losing our jobs. We are trying to stop this kind of treatment before it spreads across the state."

The suit also charges the Buffalo Police Department with using police officers posing as Gays to entrap Gays, and of photographic and other surveillance of Gay bars. Federal Judge John T. Curtin is being asked to declare that the loitering laws are not enforced, and that police decoys are not persons "offended" under the law by invitations they might receive when they engage in conversation with Gays.

"One of the points we are trying to make is that Gays should have the same rights in bars and other public places to give discreet invitations for sex that heterosexuals have in places like 'singles bars,'" Faulring stated. "We are not trying to get cruising the streets or parks legalized. This 'right' we seek is just in the matter of sex in a private place. And it does not apply to any type of prostitutional solicitation."

**Attorney Gardner** said the class action civil suit was necessary since fear of loss of job or other problems leads defendants arrested under the loitering law to accept plea bargaining rather than test the law through trial and appeal.

Other Mattachine members named as plaintiffs in the suit, in addition to Faulring, are Claude B. Gary, Dr. James D. Haynes, Donald A. Licht, and Ronald S. Wojciechowski.

#### Important Aspect of Case

"The most important aspect of this case is to realize that all of us who initiated this case have come forward to challenge the law without ever having been arrested ourselves," Faulring stated. "We felt it was important enough to everyone involved that we should do this. It is just another example of Mattachine's leadership in the area of Gay rights."

Over the years Mattachine has been very active and vocal in the political and legal areas. From picketing to lobbying and to information programs and letting Gays know what is happening that will affect their lives through The Fifth Freedom; the Society is the longest lasting group in the Buffalo area. (Only two other Mattachine chapters are left in the country, Washington, D.C. and Chicago, compared to many more from the "early days" of Gay activism.)

One other thing that should be known by non-Gay people is that they could be arrested under this same statute at any time. It is not strictly an anti-gay law. With the conservative wave that is sweeping the country, it is very possible that this could happen.

The law itself is vague enough that one does not even have to ask or voice a desire to have sex, merely being in a public place with the thought of it is technically enough to be arrested.

#### Official Response

There has been no official response to the suit, but the Vice Squad Commander has had some things to say about it.

Captain Kenneth P. Kennedy has stated in the local press that Mattachine is trying "to rob the police of a strong, vital means of protecting the public against both prostitution and open homosexual activity." Every time he makes reference to homosexuality, he invariably attaches it to prostitution. And in another old tactic he brings the safety of the young into the picture. He denies any photographic surveillance of Gays "except in very extreme cases where youngsters are involved."

He then states that he has received many complaints from concerned parents seeing "swarms" of suspected homosexuals descending on neighborhoods to "recruit, procure and pimp young boys as prostitutes."

He cites the case of the "prostitution ring" broken last year on Washington St. as a prime example of this activity.

To respond to the countercharges Mattachine would like to remind everyone of these facts: all Gays are not prostitutes any more than all straights are. We are not child molesters, as any study can bear out. And as to the "swarms" of Gays out there, what neighborhood do they frequent? And we must remind him that the "pimp" was not part of the gay community and received no support from any sector of it when he was arrested. We do not condone such activity.

Continued on page 8



## Why Sue?

Why should Mattachine bother suing New York State to get the loitering statute thrown out? Why should individuals put their names on such a document? Why are so many people uptight about this kind of action?

Mattachine has always been at the forefront as far as activism in Buffalo has been concerned; so why should we stop now. We feel that as long as any sector of society is denied their rights, none of us are "free." And our concern is not always directed toward anti-gay discrimination. The current suit does not only affect the gay populace, but anyone who may have sexual intimacy on their mind.

Just as with the sodomy law that was declared unconstitutional last December, we hope to get the support of all people in overturning this outdated law. It is a long road to educating "them" that this law can affect their lives, too. And, sometimes, the road is even longer educating "us" that we deserve the same rights as everyone else, regardless of sexual orientation or any other reason.

The idea that gays are second class citizens and have fewer rights than everyone else has been so deeply ingrained in us that it is difficult to overcome. Feelings that we are no good and don't deserve the good things of life are all too prevalent in the minds of Gays.

Why should an individual put themselves in the position of getting harassing phone calls, hate mail and all the other possibilities associated with going public in a matter like this? Because we care. Not only about our own freedom to express ourselves, but for everyone to be able to do the same. And as far as the negative side, none of us experience them at all. It just shows that most people are supportive of our moves, or really don't care. Not all out war for us "rocking the boat," but a calm that really should be the proper attitude.

Individuals caring about others that "have too much to lose," and feel that they have more to gain from such action. Even those who are against us pursuing such goals as this, will reap the benefits if the law is thrown out. You won't hear them complain then.

Gays seem to be the ones who get most upset about this kind of activity. They wonder what they should say if it should come up in conversation. If they agree that it is a good idea, they are afraid it will "brand" them as gay. If they disagree they might have a hard time justifying their feelings. They seem to forget that it is a human rights issue, not a Gay rights one.

Remember, the law is there to protect *ALL OF US!* If there are laws on the books that are outdated and need to be repealed, who is to say that we should not be the ones to start the process. Undoubtedly there will be another law to supercede this one; as this was used after the sodomy law was stricken down. So the fight is not over. It may never be. But who is to say we shouldn't keep trying?

## In This Issue. . .

In this issue we welcome some old advertisers back. We are very grateful for their support and hope you will support them. Our regulars are here too and we thank them for their ongoing support.

Our features this issue vary from Mattachine's lawsuit in Federal Court regarding the loitering statute to The Allen Restaurant, Buffalo's only gay dining spot.

Our columns are here too with more in their continuing sagas of gay life in Buffalo.

Of particular interest should be Captain Kink's tribute to Mike, one of us who we recently lost through a tragic crash. We feel the Captain's column is a fitting salute to him.

We are sorry for our lateness again this month. However, we will be out with our next issue the first week in October. Promise! See You Then. . .

### SOME FACTS:

— Gay people appreciate the businesses who support their newspaper. Advertisers report a marked increase in business as direct result of their advertising.

— Because they live singly or in households with two incomes, Gays often have more money to spend on consumer goods and services than the average population.

— A local business catering to a gay clientele (and a FIFTH FREEDOM advertiser) has a higher inventory turnover than any other business of its type in downtown Buffalo.

### THE FIFTH FREEDOM

— is a professionally produced monthly tabloid distributed in Buffalo, Niagara Falls, Rochester, Jamestown and throughout Western New York.

— has a circulation of 3,000 and is published by the Mattachine Society of the Niagara Frontier, one of the oldest continuing gay organizations in the United States.

— is a charter member of the Gay Press Association, an organization of gay and lesbian newspapers across the United States.

## THE FIFTH FREEDOM

INSIDE:

Vol. 11 No. 9 September 1981

### Table of Contents

The Allen Restaurant . . . . .	1.
Mattachine's Federal Lawsuit . . . . .	1.

<i>The Media Watch</i> . . . . .	11.
<i>The Aural Column</i> . . . . .	9.
<i>SElections by Sam</i> . . . . .	13.
<i>Out and About</i> . . . . .	4.
<i>KTM News Briefs</i> . . . . .	5.
<i>How Does Your Garden Grow</i> . . . . .	6.
<i>Fifth Freedom Advisor</i> . . . . .	8.
<i>Editor's Edition</i> . . . . .	7.
<i>Captain Kink</i> . . . . .	3.
<i>The Gay Directory</i> . . . . .	15.
<i>Want Ads</i> . . . . .	15.

THE FIFTH FREEDOM is published monthly by the Mattachine Society of the Niagara Frontier Inc., P.O. Box 155, Ellicott Station, Buffalo, New York 14205. Published by and for the gay community with a circulation of 2,500 monthly, it is distributed free of charge through any establishment or organization permitting such distribution. Subscriptions available at a yearly rate of \$5 annually to cover postage and handling. All mailings sent in a plain, sealed envelope.

The presence of the name, picture or other representation of a business organization or person(s), in this newspaper is not an indication of the sexual preference of such person(s), organization or business.

THE FIFTH FREEDOM welcomes the submission of news items, articles, letters, drawings, photographs, poetry and short fiction from the gay community. Announcements and releases from gay organizations are placed free of charge. Materials submitted should be typewritten and double-spaced. We cannot return any materials submitted unless accompanied by a stamped, self-addressed envelope, and all materials are subject to editorial revision.

Deadline for the submission of all materials and advertising copy is the 20th of each month. THE FIFTH FREEDOM reserves the right to reject any materials or copy judged to be in poor taste.

Staff members of the FIFTH FREEDOM are unsalaried volunteers and additional volunteers are welcome. Advertising rates are available upon request.

Address all correspondence to: THE FIFTH FREEDOM, P.O. Box 155, Ellicott Station, Buffalo, New York 14205. Telephone: (716) 881-5335.

Permission is required for the reprinting of any materials appearing in THE FIFTH FREEDOM. All articles Copyright 1981 by FIFTH FREEDOM and Mattachine Society of the Niagara Frontier Inc.

JOHN A. FAULRING JR., EDITOR

## Letters to the Editor

### Attack on Allen Alarms Reader

A few weeks ago I was showing my brother the highlights of the bars and nightlife in the city of Buffalo.

Well, our evening ended with leaving Dom's at about closing time. We had all decided to go around the corner for one last drink before calling it an evening.

As we walked from Dom's two black men came out of the bar and two others joined them outside. They started following us so we speeded up our walking. Needless to say, they jumped us, in front of The Allen Restaurant.

They knocked one member of our group to the ground as two more guys started to approach from the other direction. Somehow by the grace of God we got away, but on returning to Dom's we were met by Jeremy at the door. He would only let one member of our group of four back in the door and then locked the door, so if the attackers had followed we would have been easy targets with no concern to anyone at the bar.

Well, after about ten minutes, Dom finally let the rest of us in, but said he could do nothing because we did not want our names given out.

So much for the attitude of a local bar owner and his employees for the customers who make their business possible. I had heard rumor of this type of thing happening but never really believed it until it happened to me.

I only hope something is done to correct this problem before anything else happens.

We were lucky but what about the next person? A few years ago a friend was knifed in front of Dom's. So when is it going to stop and when are the bar owners going to wake up to the fact they will lose business as soon as everyone realizes all these attacks are not just rumor, but reality.

Is it going to take someone's blood on their doorstep to make them realize the terror some of us have to go through knowing we have friends who may be the next victim?

On a positive note; I'm glad we finally have an editor of The Fifth Freedom who gives a damn about us and has the balls to print the truth.

Thanks,  
Timmer

(Editor's Note: The FIFTH FREEDOM welcomes "Letters to the Editor." Letters for submission should be typed, double-spaced and less than 300 words. Send to THE FIFTH FREEDOM, P.O. Box 155, Ellicott Station, Buffalo, New York 14205. Letters must be signed in order to be considered for publication, however the FIFTH FREEDOM will withhold the writer's name upon request).



## — Captain Kink —

*An Open Letter  
To Mike*

by Captain Kink

Dear Mike,  
Where are you?  
The news came hard,  
...my stomach...  
...knocked the bottom right out.  
Didn't believe it  
still don't.  
You were too alive.

Fantasies held no fear for you.  
Life was to be lived, experiences  
treasured.  
I envied your freedom  
tried to be like you.  
More than anyone, Captain Kink  
belongs to you  
He could not have existed  
without your support.

I will not purport that I knew you best  
I didn't.  
Nor that I loved you the most.  
I can't compete in the eulogy sweepstakes.  
But if you can hear me there is one thing  
I never told you.  
In a world seemingly devoid of heroes  
you were mine.

I gave you very little  
but you gave me the courage to face myself  
to accept and explore my darker side.  
Breaking out of a closet straights put  
around me,  
you said why let gays build another one.  
No longer afraid of "getting kinky"  
I could at last laugh at myself.

You gave me gift of legitimacy and honor  
just by being you.  
That you touched my life,  
no matter how briefly,  
made me a better man.

Anger and emptiness gnaw at my insides.  
I could say your death was senseless  
and all the things grieving friends say  
but I won't.  
I will simply say,  
I love you  
and pray we meet again someday.

Your friend,  
Captain.

Mattachine/Fifth Freedom

Presnt

A Night Of  
SLOW DANCIN'

September 19 From 8pm to 1am

Unitarian Church, Elmwood at West  
Ferry

Refreshments Available.

ALL SLOW MUSIC AND TOUCH DANC-  
ING

ALL NIGHT. A QUIET NIGHT OF FUN!

\$2 in Advance      \$3 at the Door

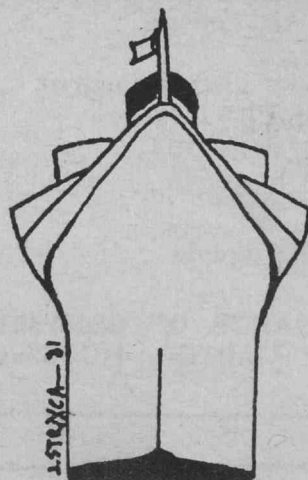
Tickets Available at:

Villa Capri

Allen Restaurant

Marrakesh

THE BIGGEST  
PARTY TO EVER  
HIT BUFFALO  
IS COMING.

**THE  
TITANIC  
WEEKEND**

September 18 &amp; 19

ME AND MY  
ARROW ♂



## Out and About

# Jacksons' Five Bells And Concerts And Events

by Hanford Searl

The Jacksons and Stacy Lattislaw  
Buffalo Memorial Auditorium/Sunday -  
August 23  
Tickets: \$11 & \$9 (Festival East, Alan Hay-  
mon and Concerts West)

Rating: Five Bells.

### Rating:

Since this is *The Fifth Freedom*, designat-  
ing our rights to love and be loved as gay  
men and lesbian women, all concert re-  
views, LP write-ups, art gallery evaluations  
of exhibits and so on will be code-rated by  
Freedom Bells.

On a scale of one-to-five bells, the low-  
est ranking will be a half bell standing for  
worse than poor while five bells will ring  
out perfection.

It promised to be a memorable concert  
with reports circulating this was Michael  
Jackson's farewell appearance prior to go-  
ing out on a solo career.

And, The Jacksons delivered August 23  
before a near SRO, wildly-receptive crowd  
of 11,000 at the Aud with young new-com-  
er Stacy Lattislaw, an inexperienced-but-  
promising 16 year old.

## New York State Gay/Lesbian Conference

The State Conference — an individual membership  
organization — is a new concept in organizing the gay/lesbian  
community and its friends in New York State. Focusing on the  
small cities, towns and rural areas where lesbians and gay males have felt  
especially isolated, The State Conference is bringing together people who  
believe that a society accepting of diversity offers everyone a better life.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

The State Conference • P.O. Box 92 • Syracuse, New York 13201  
Telephone (315) 475-6866 • Monday to Friday 8:00 5:00

Statewide Meeting  
in Rochester  
October 10 and 11

### CONFERENCE MEETING SCHEDULE

Saturday, October 10, 1981

11:30-12:00

Registration, \$5 for non-members

12:00-12:45

Plenary Session, Sunken Lounge

1:00-5:00

Workshops, including:

GAY TEACHERS  
BISEXUALITY  
GAY YOUTH

GAYS AND RELIGION  
POLICE LIAISON  
COMING OUT

Evening fun!

Sunday, October 11, 1981

12:00-5:00

Business Meeting and reports  
from workshops

ALL MEETINGS AT THE GAY ALLIANCE OF GENESEE  
VALLEY, 713 MONROE AVENUE. LIMITED HOUSING  
AVAILABLE.

## HEADQUARTERS CUTS FOR MEN AND WOMEN

TUES.-SAT. 10 til 5  
CALL FOR AFTER HOURS.

152 ALLEN ST.  
882-2403

The youthful Cotillion recording star  
opened the night, made almost unbearable  
by the lack-of-air-conditioning in the  
steamy hockey arena, with her intense,  
piercing young voice scoring best on famil-  
iar hit ballad "Let Me Be Your Angel" com-  
bined with the pulsating "Come And Be My  
Love," new LP title track "With You" and  
her most recent hit "Love On A Two Way  
Street."

Lattislaw, however, was stiff and unsure,  
embarrassingly unprepared with little-if-  
any stage presence or preconceived plan of  
movements except for stilted dance steps.

Her piercing young vocals needed ton-  
ing down to spotlight that impressive vi-  
bratto with the most insipid part of her 40-  
minute set showcasing her younger brother  
singing an off-key accompaniment on  
"Two Way Street." Better to leave junior at  
home until he can be a bonfide part of her  
act and not until, while calming down her  
over-animated, Rick James look-alike mus-  
ical director.

After a lengthy, 50-minute intermission  
for setting the Jacksons' elaborate lighting  
and staging (not forgetting the hawking of  
numerous Jackson memorabilia in the  
hallways), and continued sweating, at long  
last the Buffalo stand of their 40-city tour  
got underway.

Or should we say raised to new concert  
production heights with a super, \$1 million  
lighting system and introduction closely  
paralleling "Close Encounters of The Third  
Kind" in both special effects and sound.

As three massive metallic light tiers lifted  
like a spacy, Erector Set, Robert Abel's op-  
ening film, "The Triumph," inspired by the  
groups' LP of the same name, underlined  
the entire show's theme of universal broth-  
erhood to closing, rousing number "Shake  
Your Body."

Throughout the tight-knit, 75-minute  
display of pop, R&B and soul selections,  
the five-brother team naturally was led by  
Michael - ever the whirling dervish of high  
kicks, twirls, jumps and dance steps.

Choreographed by Marlon, the entire  
show was a stylish classy concoction of  
Jackson-sight-and-sound, with Michael  
cementing his polished, seemingly effort-  
less musicianship/performer role on nearly  
all 12 songs.

Vocally, Jackie, Tito, Marlon and Randy  
added harmonic depth to Michael's soar-  
ing falsettos and frequent blues ramblings  
with Tito notching memorable guitar spots  
and Randy on Congos.

Michael's ballads "Ben" and "She's Out  
of My Life," clearly enunciated and dram-  
atically energized, nearly stopped the con-  
cert with his soulful, involved interpreta-  
tions, aided by Randy on keys and Bill  
Wolder's synthesizer effects.

Disco rocker "Don't Stop 'Till You Get  
Enough" featured pyrotechnics with Mi-  
chael in a Doug Henning illusion magical-  
ly switching from stage right to left via a  
suspended, draped cage to a smoking,  
Olympic-type flame.

An oldies medley, preceded by a clip  
from the group's earlier TV spots on the Ed  
Sullivan Show, captured the Jacksons'  
classic hits during their Motown days with  
such familiar tunes as "ABC," "I Want You  
Back" and "I'll Be There."

The four-piece backup band cooked, led  
by guitarist David Williams, drummer Jon-  
athan Moffett, bassist Mike McKinney and  
Wolfer on synthesizer. The brass entour-  
age was equally if not more sharp, featur-  
ing trombonist Alan Prater, Wesley Phillips  
and Roderick McMorries on trumpets and  
Cloris Grimes handling sax and flute du-  
ties.

Part of the group's World Tour '81, the  
modernistic staging was designed by M2  
Research of Los Angeles highlighted by  
lighting director Delton Bass' efforts, both  
conceived by the Jacksons providing inte-  
gral visual components.

But, it was the Epic recording artists  
themselves who rightfully win the oft-used  
word superstar to define their legitimate,  
deservedly-earned plaudits for hard work,  
slick professionalism and pure entertain-  
ment.

For, not only has the group achieved  
similar status to that of ELO, Earth, Wind &  
Fire and The Rolling Stones, but they've  
managed to crossover, uniting black and  
white audiences as only their music can.

It's a long way from the grey steel mills of  
the Jacksons' hometown of Gary, Ind. to  
where they were at this evening of recog-  
nizable music and lofty ideas. And it will  
prove even more interesting to see what  
transpires when Michael, the obvious  
leader, comes out with his first, *real* solo LP  
aided by Paul McCartney, who toured  
through some southern states writing and  
recording with MJ.

Stay tuned.

### Upcoming Concerts & Events:

An asterisk (\*) denotes a "Don't Miss"  
concert according to this reviewer's expe-  
rience with the artist.

*Festival East:* Sept. 15, Blue Oyster Cult  
and Foghat, the Aud, 7:30 p.m., \$9 and  
\$8; Sept. 26, Grateful Dead, the Aud, 7:30  
p.m., \$9.50 and \$8.50; Sept. 27, The Roll-  
ing Stones, Journey and George Thoro-  
good & The Destroyers, Rich Stadium,  
noon-6 p.m., \$15, *SOLD-OUT*; Sept. 30,  
Ian Hunter and Any Trouble, Uncle Sam's,  
8 p.m., \$6.97, a co-promotion with 97  
Rock.

*The Buffalo Philharmonic:* Sept. 14, Su-  
perband Telethon, WIVB-TV 4 for three  
hours; Sept. 25-26, Diahann Carroll in the  
first of 12 pops concerts, Kleinhans Music  
Hall, 8:30 p.m., \$8.50, \$7.50 and \$6.50;  
Sept. 27, Stravinsky's "L'Histoire du Sol-  
dat" featuring the BPO Chamber Orches-  
tra, conductor Clark Suttle and soloist  
Mary Louise Nanna, Westminster Presby-  
terian Church at 724 Delaware Ave., 2:30  
p.m., \$5 which includes a champagne re-  
ception.

*Harvey & Corky:* Sept. 14, \*Pat Benatar  
and David Johansen, the Aud, 8 p.m., \$9;  
Sept. 22-27, "A Chorus Line," Sheas Buffa-  
lo, 8 p.m. Tues.-Fri., 6 and 10 p.m. Satur-  
day, Sunday 2 and 7 p.m., \$10-17; (call  
Central Tickets at 856-2310), Sept. 24, The  
Kinks, the Aud, 8 p.m., \$9.50 and \$8.50;  
Oct. 10, \*Electric Light Orchestra, the  
Aud, 8 p.m., \$9.50 and \$8.50.

*Harvey, Corky & Tice:* (Melody Fair)  
Sept. 10-20, \*Laserium, call 693-7700 for  
various times, \$4 and \$2.50; Sept. 21, Pe-  
ter Tosh, 8 p.m., \$8.50; Oct. 1, The Rov-  
ers, 8 p.m., \$10 and \$9; and tentatively  
Oct. 18, Roy Clark.

*Albright-Knox Art Gallery:* Sept. 12-  
Nov. 8, sculpturist & photographer Ken-  
neth Snelson display inside and outside  
gallery; Sept. 16-Nov. 1, recent drawings  
by Shirley Kassman in the members gal-  
lery, reception 5-7 p.m. Sept. 16; Oct. 3-8,  
\*The Photo-Pictorialists of Buffalo, vintage  
collection from 1897-1938 in the North  
temporary exchange galleries; Oct. 3,  
adult, teen and children art classes begin,  
call 882-8700, ext. 226 for information.  
Regular gallery hours: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Satur-  
days; 10 a.m. - 10 p.m., Wednesdays start-  
ing Sept. 16 and noon-5 p.m. Sundays, no  
admission, donations encouraged. The  
Garden Restaurant is open daily for lunch.

*Benjamin's Art Gallery:* newly opened at  
419 Elmwood Ave., Sept. 12-30 Peter Max  
collection, 10 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. daily. No  
admission.

*QRS Arts Foundation:* Sept. 16, Itzhak  
Perlman, Kleinhans Music Hall, 8:30  
p.m., \$14, \$13 and \$12.

### Lottery Tickets Can Win Money for Mattachine

Mattachine has joined in a program  
called *Cashback*, which utilizes lottery  
tickets that are not winners in the regular  
game. The tickets are entered in special  
drawings held periodically and can mean  
funds to help support our work.

If you have any tickets please send them  
to us c/o the paper. Or you can purchase  
them at Cornucopia, 569 Delaware at Al-  
len, and just leave the losers with them.  
Thanks!



## —KTM News Briefs—

## Slow Dance, Train Ride, Women's Run And More

by Kenneth T. Matthews

Once again we say good-bye to our summer friends, close up the cottage by the lake and put the boat in dry dock. Only to turn around and say hello to friends returning from vacations, that favorite sweater and a new flock of freshmen on the college campuses.

We congratulate this month two friends who have recently found jobs. Ken, unemployed for four months, and Al, unemployed for twenty long months, both started working at the end of last month. For both, it was about time.

**Not too many** birthdays to relay this month:

John Faulring (again)	Sept. 19
Rob	Sept. 20
Jimmy	Sept. 28
Al	Oct. 4
Ken Mathews	Oct. 5
Mark	Oct. 7
Ron	Oct. 9

Please send your birthdate for this article in care of this paper, remember our deadline of the 20th of each month.

Saturday, September 19th, the Mattachine Society of the Niagara Frontier, Inc. will hold a slow/social dance. A whole evening of slow and mellow music will enable us to prove that Fred and Ginger have nothing to worry about, plus provide an opportunity to meet a lot of new faces that have been arriving in Buffalo. The tickets for the 8 p.m. dance at the Unitarian Church at Elmwood and W. Ferry, will be on sale at the Villa Capri, Allen Restaurant, Marrakesh and your local Mattachine members. Prices will be \$2 advance sale and \$3 at the door. We hope to see you all there.

**Sunday, September 20th**, at the Mattachine Social Meeting, Dr. James D. Haynes will conduct a non-sexual intimacy class. This class, open to all persons, will instruct us how to be close to and touch others in a non-sexual manner. A similar class was held at the June Health

### Robin Tyler, Lesbian Comic, Here Oct. 4

It has often been said about the women's movement that, "They're too serious!" or "Don't they have a sense of humor?" Well for those of you who have said or agreed with those sentiments, get ready to turn those words around.

Robin Tyler, a stand-up gay comic, will "Turn You Inside Out" with her wit, humor, personal anecdotes and social satire.

Sponsored by the New American Movement, Robin will make her concert premier in downtown Buffalo's Center Theatre. The show starts at 8 p.m., on Oct. 4, 1981.

Born in Winnipeg, Canada, she won major acclaim by the time she was 18 for her innovations in theatre. She is a graduate of the Manitoba Theatre Center, the Banff School of Fine Arts and N.Y.C.'s American Musical and Dramatic Academy.

Her relevant material about women's rights really packs a punch and has been attracting attention all over the U.S.A. Robin was one of the featured speakers to welcome thousands of women who came to the first National Women's Organization Convention in Houston. During that weekend she was featured as America's foremost feminist comic in a presentation of Women's Culture as a part of the struggle for Women's rights. Robin's one liners such as: "Anita Bryant is to Christianity as paint by numbers is to art," have captured audiences at speeches, conventions, gay and mixed night clubs and concerts.

Based in Los Angeles, she has appeared on network television in the Kroft Comedy Hour and has been under contract with ABC for 3 years.

Fair, and this class is another that many people are already looking forward to attending. This will also be at the Unitarian Church with a potluck dinner at 6:30 p.m. and the class starting at 7:30.

One of the most beautiful spectacles that nature produces each year is the changing colors of the leaves. An excellent way to enjoy the beauty is aboard the Attica & Arcade Steam Railroad. MSNF has scheduled a trip a board the train for Sunday, October 11th. Please be there at 1:30. The depot is in Arcade on Route 39, off Rtes. 16 or 98 (about 45-60 mins. from Buffalo). The \$4 tickets will be on sale at the same locations mentioned for the dance tickets. Tickets will only be sold until October 3rd, so buy them early. Call the Hotline, 881-5335, for further info and directions.

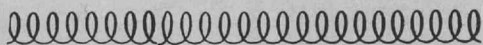
Keep those recipes coming in to be added to the cookbook, "Out Of The Closet...Into The Kitchen". We are hoping to go to print by Christmas so you can stuff a stocking with it this year. Send them to Recipes, in care of this paper.

We will publish public announcements from any group or individual in the area. Please send your announcements to this column, c/o this paper, P.O. Box 155, Buffalo, 14205, no later than the 20th of each month. Please inform us so that we can inform the community.

As a final note, we would like to welcome an advertiser to the paper from Erie, Pa., Lizzie Bordons. We hope that all of you will visit Lizzie Bordons and mention that you saw their ad in **THE FIFTH FREEDOM**. Please patronize all of our advertisers, letting them know that their advertising dollars are working for them. Through their ads, they are the ones who pay for this paper so that we in turn can distribute it to you for free.

See you in October when we will tell you about all the upcoming Halloween activities, including a Costume Roller Skating Party on Monday October 26th...

...Film at Eleven.



Robins' record album Always a Bridesmaid - Never a Groom, was produced by an independent women's label.

Her humor has often been given the label relevant. In her own words she describes her work as follows: "To me, as a woman, comedy is a political tool that is used to raise consciousness. When people can hear nothing else, when they refuse to listen to reason or to speeches, they hear through humor because laughter bridges."

Tickets are priced at \$6. Advanced tickets will be on sale at Squire Hall Box office SUNY at Buffalo, EMMA, The Women's Bookstore. 10% of the profits will be donated to The Women's Production Company. Mattachine also has tickets; call 886-2590.

### Gay Community Center Survey Out Now

Lesbians and gay men interested in opening a community center have been working recently to do just that. A survey of the community has been conducted to find out what the needs, desires and energy for the project are. If you are asked to fill out a survey, or if you want to fill out a survey but haven't been asked yet, please fill one out. Survey takers can be found in the various bars, at group meetings, or by calling Ron at 885-3155.

Groups participating to date are: Gay Rights for Older Women, Lesbian Caucus of the Buffalo Women's Liberation Union, Mattachine Society of the Niagara Frontier, Student Association for Gay Expression and concerned individuals.

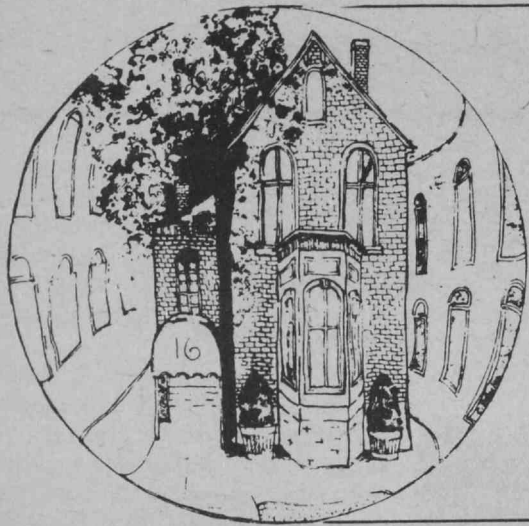


## CORDON NEGRO BRUT

BY  
*Freixenet*

YOU CAN'T GO WRONG WITH BASIC BLACK





### Allen Restaurant

16 ALLEN STREET

MON. 11 AM - 2 PM  
TUES. - THURS. 11 AM - 8 PM

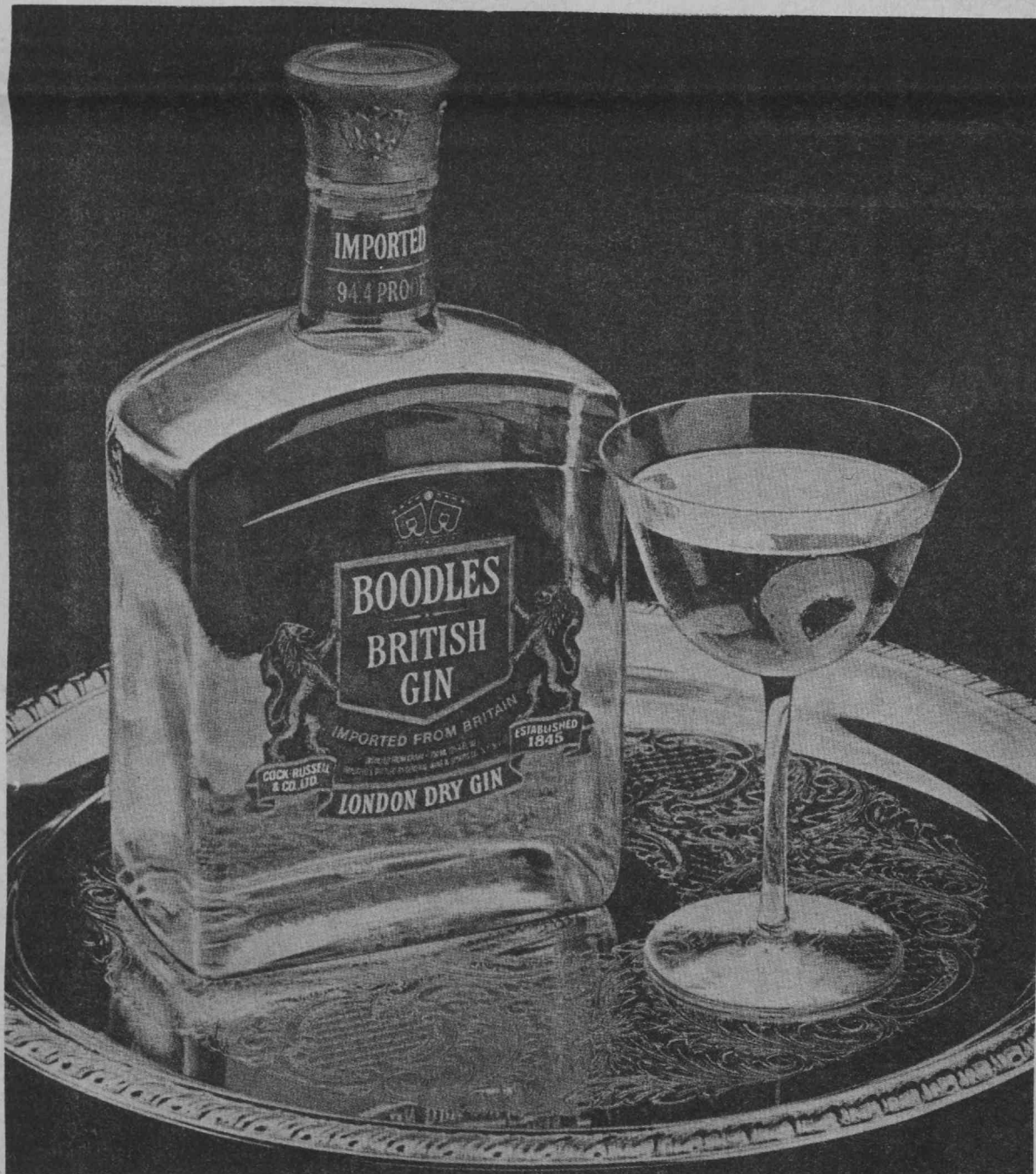
FRI. 11 AM - 10 PM  
SAT. 6 PM - 10 PM

881-0586

Redecorators of BLUEBOYS in Niagara Falls, N.Y. . . .

## COMPLETE COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL RENOVATION SPARTAN CONSTRUCTION

688-9483



**BOODLES**  
BRITISH  
GIN

*The* **ULTIMATE  
IN GOOD TASTE**

## Mums The Word. . . Flowers For Fall

by Bill Hardy

Hello, and a scintillatingly scrumptious September to you all! Here we are entering the last (ye gods) third of 1981. I certainly hope your summer was a fruitful one; that Mr. or Ms. Right swooped down out of the blue, or at the very least approached you at the bar, if that's your thing, and made your summer one to remember. Personally, the only thing that swooped down on me was a gull intent on getting the fish I was reeling to the boat in a small lake 110 miles north-east of Toronto. To add insult to injury, the fish had to be thrown back. Too small! Well, that just proves we can't always get that big one.

And that leads us up to this month of changing weathers, when one doesn't know if one buns will be hot crossed or frosted. So, before the latter happens, it would be wise to get thy buns indoors. Likewise if you have your indoor plants out, or have outdoor plants you wish to save, best bring them in, too. A thorough spraying with a good insecticide should rid the plant of any little nasties on the leaves, stems or soil. Yes, my annual "spray in September" warning will really pay off if any creatures found their way onto or into your portable garden. Saturate the soil in the pots also, making sure the soil is damp before you do so, to prevent root burn, and this will rid them of any crawling creatures that found a home there. I still recommend

Isatox insect spray by Ortho as the best. Spray on a calm day outside and let it dry completely before bringing the plants in. Of course, follow directions and read all precautions on the label.

Right now we are moving into Chrysanthemum season. Yes, those beautiful masses of color you will see after most other flowers are gone are probably Hardy Mums. (Isn't it amazing how my name gets around? No, not Mum smarty!)

They flower in just about every color and now is the time to buy sturdy field grown plants. Most nurseries and garden centers will carry a large selection to choose from with new shipments arriving weekly.

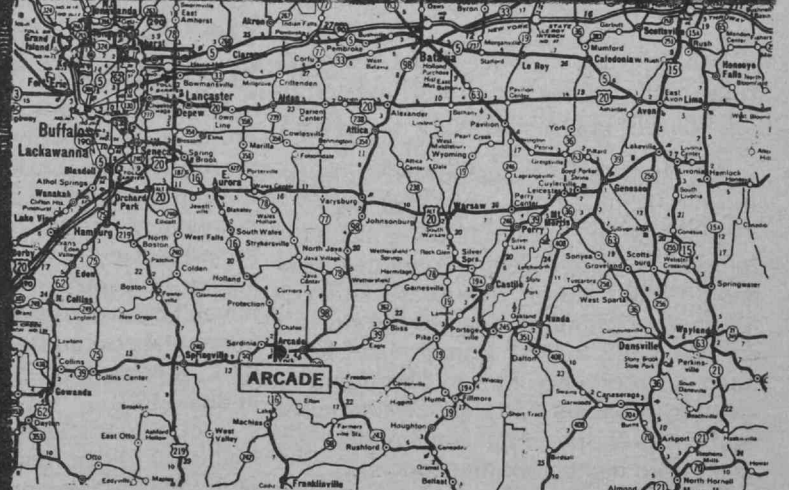
These potted Hardy Mums can also be set in more decorative containers, or used as is for patio, balcony or window sill color provided they are given ample water.

If you have your Hardy Mums in the ground, it would be a good idea to lightly mulch them the first winter with peat moss or leaves to prevent them from heaving out of the ground. This is done after the first hard freeze.

Next spring when the new growth appears, pinch the tips of the plant off every two weeks or so until mid-July. This will encourage branching and produce many more blooms the following fall. I'll have more on pinching your tip next spring.

So until next month, get yourself a Hardy Chrysanthemum and think green. Hardy—that found a home there. I still recommend Har-Har.

**Arcade & Attica Railroad  
Trainride October 11  
1:30 p.m.  
\$4 Adults \$2 Children  
Send  
MONEY ORDER ONLY TO:  
Train, P.O. Box 155  
Ellicott Station  
Buffalo, NY 14205  
Or Call 886-2590  
For Information.**



ARCADE, N.Y.: Three miles east of Route 16, midway between Buffalo and Olean, N.Y. All trains depart from the bright orange depot in the center of town, where Route 39 joins Route 98.



## — Editor's Edition —

## Happy Anniversary To Me!

By JOHN A. FAULRING, JR.

Happy Anniversary to ME!

That's right, this issue is the first anniversary of my becoming editor of THE FIFTH FREEDOM. And what a year it has been.

I started out with the whole "Perverts In The Park" and the destruction of La Salle Park and now, in this issue, am covering our lawsuit against New York State. Talk about variety.

In this year I have seen many of my plans for the paper come into being. This has been through the help of many people, not just my own efforts. The one person I would not have been able to do it without has been Rod Hensel. Without his expertise and knowledge, I would have been lost. His MEDIA WATCH has been a great asset and model for all of us to follow as far as good journalism is concerned.

In my first Editorial I stated, "I hope you will find it enjoyable, informative and irritating." And from what I have heard I have done all of this and more. I have tried to let everyone have their say. To quote *Desiderata*, "Speak your truth quietly and clearly; and listen to others; even the dull and ignorant; they too have their story." I am not saying that to deride anyone who has written in this past year, but just to show that I have not censored the views, either in columns or letters to the editor, just because they are not my views.

The only time any group or viewpoint has not been covered has been when those involved have failed to write and let us know their feelings. The same goes for announcements for events. No knowledge; no story.

I have seen the gay community's visibility come "out of the closet," and become more than just "them" with no last names, no faces and no importance. I have been at the front of this closet Exodus and am glad to see others following. It can only bode well for us.

And another important change has been the attitude of Buffalo's media to gay issues. There has been a 180 degree turn around as far as coverage is concerned. Every major news cast has, at one time or another, carried a POSITIVE gay story as a main news item. They have responded to us seeking them out and they have in turn sought us out on issues they thought we should have a say on. We thank them.

Then in April of this year my ultimate dream for the paper came true! (My own personal one is still unfulfilled.) We went to a typeset format.

This is the first time in the history of the paper this has been done. I felt it was necessary to give us some credibility, as well as make a better market for advertisers. I feel we have achieved both. More people are reading us and we have a wider range of advertisers than ever before. Non-gay business owners are seeing that we are indeed a viable market, not just to be ripped off because of our sexual preference.

The editorial content has changed, too. We have more regular columns than ever before and have improved our coverage of news items. I have tried to learn the proper journalistic way to cover a story and keep my private views out. That is the reason this column was started. In here you will find all my personal views as opposed to my stories elsewhere which, hopefully, have a more professional air.

It is difficult many times not to get really personal about stories when you write for a paper with such a strong advocacy journalism standpoint. That means that we are not just covering news stories, but things that actually affect our lives from day to day. Just try telling someone about something without putting any of your own opinions into what you say. I dare you!

So where to from here? I don't know. I am still open to suggestions. We are getting

new advertisers, even national ones, all the time so space will be increased. We will be needing more stories all the time. We also need reviews, announcements and letters to the editor. Remember that all letters printed are from real people. Just be sure to follow the rules that are printed in the front of the paper.

I hear many comments from people, both first and second hand, about the paper and am always glad for input. What troubles me most is people thinking that the paper is all my opinions. That only occurs when others refuse to speak up.

So it looks like I'll be around as editor for quite a while, much to the dismay of many, so all I ask for is your input so it can truly be OUR paper.

Thanks for your support. I appreciate it.

### Albany Bath Raid Spurs Bill

ALBANY — Assembly sponsors of a bill forbidding discrimination on the basis of sexual or affectional preference have condemned the recent police raid on the Club Capital in Albany as they renewed their commitment toward the effort to extend full civil rights to homosexuals.

"Recent examples of police harassment of gay men and lesbians across the State have highlighted the necessity of legislation to prohibit discrimination on the basis of sexual or affectional preference," said Assemblyman Steven Sanders, D-L-Manhattan, who chairs the Assembly Subcommittee on Human Rights. "The raid on the private Club Capital in Albany, where 20 men were arrested and their names publicized, is an extreme example of the kind of discrimination faced by lesbians and gay men every day. The 10% of New York State citizens who happen to be gay often are forced to hide their sexual identity because discrimination against gay people has not been prohibited by statute," he added. "Discrimination in employment, housing, education and in many other situations is a daily fact of life for lesbians and gay men. This lack of statutory prohibition of discrimination creates the climate for police harassment and 'gay-bashing' by individuals."

Discussing the events which occurred on May 30, 1981, Sanders expressed his outrage that the Club Capital, a private facility where admission was strictly by membership only, had been singled out for the raid solely because it was frequented by gay men. Sanders noted that most of the cases were adjourned in contemplation of dismissal within a week of the raid. "Nevertheless, the damage has been done to the lives of these 20 individuals with the unnecessary exposure of their private sexuality to public scrutiny. These persons, now publicly identified as homosexuals, can legally be discriminated against for the rest of their lives unless laws are passed to forbid discrimination."

Sanders is optimistic that incidents like the Club Capital raid will convince his fellow legislators to support the civil rights bill.

The bill is sponsored by Assemblymen William Passannante, D-Manhattan, Mark Alan Siegel, D-Manhattan, and Steven Sanders.




### Presenting "Ringing In Good Cheer" This Santa Will Make Christmas 1981 Merrier For You!

"Ringing In Good Cheer" is a joyful Rockwell classic which sparkles with charm and exuberance. Now The Norman Rockwell Museum has captured and preserved every detail in these Limited-Edition museum-quality hand painted bisque porcelain collectibles.

Each is dimensional and highly detailed — and the colors are bright and vivid — possessing a glow that can only be achieved with porcelain.

These are fine collectibles for the discriminating collector and make wonderful gifts for someone special. Visit us soon to see the entire Norman Rockwell Museum Collection.

The Fancy Flea 

A Unique Continental Gift Shoppe  
(716) 892-1111

Thruway Mall  
Cheektowaga, NY 14225



© 1981 The Norman Rockwell Museum, Inc.

**Villa Capri**  
926 Main Street  
Buffalo, New York 14202

Phone (716) 886-9469

Mon-Sat 10am-4am

Sun noon til 4am

D.J. Nightly & Sunday Afternoon

Photo: R.F.B.



## The Fifth Freedom Advisor

### Advisor Helps Two People Find A Friend

THE FIFTH FREEDOM ADVISOR provides answers to questions about sex and gay life. Send questions to FIFTH FREEDOM ADVISOR, P.O. Box 155, Ellicott Station, Buffalo, N.Y. 14205. For immediate help in talking about a gay problem, call the Gay Hotline at 881-5335.

Dear Readers,

In the July issue of the Fifth Freedom I ran a letter from Tina, a male transvestite. I received the following letter in response to his letter and I would like to share it with you.

Dear FFA,

In this month's column I couldn't help but notice the letter from the male transvestite (Tina). As a matter of fact (to my own surprise, because I am a staunch lesbian) I kept thinking about it afterwards. His fears and anxieties, which were expressed so well, made me feel much compassion for him.

I feel as if I want to meet Tina and let him know that even though there may be few lesbians who will accept him, he's got a friend here than can accept him as a person regardless of his lifestyle.

Is there any way I can get in touch with Tina? Do you, by any chance, have his address so I can write him? Tina, if you're out there please come forward!

I have contacted both Tina and the woman in the letter and have offered to serve as a go-between for them, until they both feel secure enough to meet in person. Good luck to both of you.

Dear FFA,

I recently spoke to a man on the gay hot line and wonder how does one become a counselor with the hot line? Working the line must be a very rewarding experience, one that I would like to share in.

Carl

Dear Carl,

You're right, serving the community on the Gay Hot Line is a very rewarding experience. While some of the calls are crank or harrasing, most are from men and women who are trying to deal with their own sexual preference. Some are from young people trying to understand their feelings and some are informational (e.g. where are the bars?), and a few are from lonely people who just want to talk.

To become a counselor with the hot line you must first complete a 10 week training course. The course is an excellent opportunity to get in touch with your own feelings on such varied subjects as masturbation, suicide, drug abuse, fetishes and, of course, gay sex. It is often a surprise to many people how little they have thought about their feelings on these subjects. For some, it is the first time they have ever heard others talk about their feelings on subjects relating to gay lifestyles.

At the end of the course, you are eligible to apply to the health committee to be certified as a counselor. Please do not get the

idea that you must become a counselor if you take the course. You DON'T! In fact, many people take the course just to learn more about themselves.

For further information about the next course starting in September, call the Hotline at 881-5335 or send your name and telephone number to the newspaper office and one of the counselors will contact you to answer any questions you might have.

FFA,

I am in my late 30's and consider myself nice looking and have many friends my own age. Recently I met a guy who is 22 who I would really like to get to know better as a friend or maybe even as a lover. The problem is that I am afraid to approach him for fear of his rejecting me because of my age. Do you think that someone in his late 30's should be interested in someone that young? 16 years difference is a lot of years.

Answer:

Love and friendship do not set age restrictions, people do. To reject any person because of age (young or old) will deprive an individual of many wonderful friendships and potential lovers.

What are you really afraid of, his rejection or what your friends will think??? Many guys restrict their interests because they are afraid of what their friends will think if they show interest in someone who is either younger or older than themselves. Many younger men would welcome the maturity and stability that many older men can offer. Older men could enjoy the vitality, the dreams and ambitions that youth so often exhibit. Both have so much they could offer to each other.

If you would put aside your fears and ask him out you might be pleasantly surprised. He may reject your offer, but then again he just might say YES.

The best advice I can offer you if he does say yes is to be your age. Nothing will turn him off faster than your trying to act like a teenager. Just be yourself and enjoy him as an individual. Good luck!

**"OUT OF THE CLOSET. . . INTO THE KITCHEN" SEE KTM NEWS BRIEFS!**

## Mattachine Suit. . .

Continued from page 1

Film at 11

He categorizes many of the charges of the suit as "damnable lies" including the one that police officers masquerade as gay men to entrap someone. Capt. Kennedy could use a memory jog to just remember back when his men were filmed by the Eyewitness News team from WKBW Channel 7 going into the bushes in LaSalle Park to lure gays there into propositioning them and then arresting them. If they were not playing Gay, what were they doing in there? Their uniforms sure were not the regulation blues. Funny how one forgets.

The surveillance aspect has proven to be true in at least one case where a gay man was photographed on the streets of Allentown and then the photos were taken to his place of employment and shown to his boss. Luckily he was already "out" at work and he was not in jeopardy. Once again, "film at 11."

He reportedly said they do not keep files of suspected homosexuals because it could be damaging in the wrong hands. How does he think these wrong hands would get ahold of these records if the police are supposed to have control of them?

### Police Commissioner's Response

Buffalo Police Commissioner James B. Cunningham stated that he was non-plussed by the suit. He refused to "dignify it with a comment. We've been sued before - tell them to stand in line." That statement does not speak very highly of Buffalo's "finest." Maybe there needs to be a long hard look at the department's relations with not only the Gay community, but the other minorities in the city.

The Black community has forced the department to treat them with the professionalism they should receive. Perhaps it is time for all of the other groups to do the same.

### Related Decision

Recently, City Judge Timothy J. Drury, in trying a case of prostitution, decided that the loitering law was unconstitutionally vague and in violation of the 14th amendment clause of equal protection under the law. That is exactly what the Mattachine suit is stating.

While the decision is not officially binding on other city court judges, it has been policy to follow the lead of others. The commander of the vice squad hopes that the District Attorney will take the case to the State Court of Appeals. That would be the same body that found the sodomy law invalid last December.

Attorney Gardner says that it really doesn't matter whether they take it to the higher court or not. Either the federal suit or an Appeals Court ruling would achieve the same goal.

Capt. Kennedy stated that the loitering law had been used since December to replace the sodomy law and that only those caught in the act were arrested. A very high per cent of the Gay men arrested were not "caught in the act" but were arrested on suspicion of seeking to commit the act.

One has to wonder what effect the Mattachine suit had on this decision. It seems to be more than just coincidental that this type of ruling would follow so close on the heels of our filing the complaint.

The amount of time that it will take to get a decision on the suit is not known. There is currently a move to add one of the Gay men who was arrested under the law added to the suit. Attorney Gardner feels that this will only increase the chances of the case being even stronger by adding someone who has been the victim of the law.

Gardner has received an answer to the charges of the suit filed. It contains routine denials, challenges to proposed classes of defendants and plaintiffs and other responses to the claims made in the original suit.

So for now the suit is moving along at an appropriate pace according to Attorney Gardner. "I will be pressing it as rapidly as possible," he says, "but we can anticipate it will take several months anyway."

The Fifth Freedom will follow the progress of the case and will report any new facts in the October issue.

## Blue Boy Product Labels Can Mean Cash For Us

The Blue Boy Company that produces canned fruits and vegetables has started a program that can earn non-profit groups, like Mattachine, dividends for labels from their products.

If you use these items, please remove the labels, no cans please, and send them to us for redemption. The more we raise the better.

At the present they are paying 5¢ per can label. Thanks for your support.

## Immigration law repeal is aim of gay bill

WASHINGTON - Congressmen Julian C. Dixon and Anthony C. Beilenson of Los Angeles today introduced legislation to repeal the section of the nation's immigration laws which allow the exclusion of homosexual aliens from entry into the United States.

\*\*\*\*\*

## SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS

\*\*\*\*\*

# Lord Calvert

## Lord of the Canadians

### LORD CALVERT -

### "PRESTIGE AND VALUE IN ONE BOTTLE"





## Allen Restaurant. . .

Continued from page 1



The Allen Restaurant's "Four or More Room" is now open for larger dinner parties or special functions.

**Fresh scallops** were the one course offered this night as well as the house broiled fish. Those who ordered these were very happy with them. I had the eggplant parmesan, which is always good. All the portions are ample for a large appetite. With additions of cole slaw with the seafood and the side orders of pasta, no one leaves hungry. The regular spaghetti sauce is very good, but for a real treat try the butter and garlic. It is superb.

Wine, beer, iced tea, root beer, lemonade all are available as a cool refresher during the summer. At the present there is no other alcohol available, but few seem to mind this as the crowds attest.

Now to the best part of the meal: dessert! The choices offered here are the best around and are by no means standard. There is always dessert bread and cream cheese, ice cream and spumoni. The real treats, though, are the fresh fruit specialties that are profuse in number.

The night we were there we had a choice of Fresh Peach Cream Pie, that was just sinful. Those who tried the Peanut Butter pie were in Reese's Cup heaven. For a different and very rich change, try the Cannoli that is filled with a delicious filling of bitter-sweet chocolate bits and well as assorted other

goodies. Not the regular fare for sure, but good. A Jello Jewel Pie was also offered. The portions here are not for the diet conscious, but then no one at our table complained.

It is difficult not to read the dessert board before ordering your main course, but as you sit through dinner and keep eyeing it, your curiosity grows. Then when your waiter describes them to you in detail, you're hooked. They don't need to ask, "Would you like dessert?" just "What will you have?"

All of the standard pastas served are very good with the same rich red sauce served with them, but with meatball, sausage and mushroom variations, you can make quite a variety of selectinos. Once again, don't miss the garlic!

The prices are very reasonable and the portions very good. Atmosphere is the best as is the music and service. You can go casual or in suits, either way it is the perfect start to an evening out, or a relaxing finish to a long day.

It's unfortunate that Buffalo's gays can only support one restaurant, but as long as they support one, let it be the ALLEN RESTAURANT.

## Gay Philatelic Society Forms

SAN FRANCISCO — The Gertrude Stein Philatelic Society, probably the first of its kind, was formed in San Francisco in late April, 1981.

The Society's first official act was to issue a Special Event Cover to commemorate the international theme of the 1981 San Francisco Lesbian/Gay Freedom Day Parade and Celebration, June 28th. Limited to 449 covers, each is cacheted with a design created by San Francisco artist Charles Musgrave. The design is composed of a cable car filled with men and women against the skyline of the city and carries the title of the 1981 Parade in a banner across the top.

There are two varieties of the Special Event Covers, each bearing a different set of postage. Cover A is franked with the Eleanor Roosevelt and Dag Hammarskjöld commemorative issues and the Freedom to Speak Out stamp from the current definitive series. Cover B bears the Willa Cather issue, Robert Indiana's "Love" stamp and the Right of People Peaceably to Assemble stamp, also from the current definitive series. Both versions are postmarked by the United States Postal Service with a city and date cancellation on Sunday, June 28, 1981 in San Francisco.

The GSPS was formed to promote gay interest in philately and to work towards recognition of famous gays on U.S. stamps. The Society will soon launch a nationwide drive to have its namesake, Gertrude Stein, honored on a future U.S. commemorative stamp.

The Society also plans to issue both Special Event and Commemorative covers in the future, in conjunction with famous gay persons and events of special interest to the gay community and gay history. The Society is preparing a membership announcement packet for persons interested in joining GSPS.

Information about membership, the Special Event Cover for the 1981 Parade, and future projects is available by writing: G.S.P.S., Box 14551, San Francisco, CA 94114.

SLOW DANCIN'  
TICKETS  
AVAILABLE AT  
VILLA CAPRI  
ALLEN RESTAURANT  
MARRAKESH

## Juke Box Serenade W.N.Y. Style

by Joe Schuder II

*"Put another nickel in  
In the nickelodeon.  
All I want is loving you  
And music - music - music."*

The intrepid audiophile, having finished his examination of complex, octopus-like installations at The Villa Capri and Me And My Arrow, drove home, put his top up and sank into a heavy sleep.

The next time he ventured forth, he decided to explore some small neighborhood places to see if their music systems could possibly hold a shibata to the big guys.

**Surprise!** Though their sound was not as high-voltage, they could - and did - hold their own.

First on the list was an establishment on Allen Street known as Dominique's. Inside was a large nearly Emerald City shaped contraption called a JUKEBOX. It was owned, not by Dominique, but by a Great American Commercial Institution called THE JOBBER. The records - all 45's - were as clean as a Provincetown flower garden, so dedicated to aural hygiene was Dominique's staff.

Most all the records were there according to the dictates of another Great American Commercial Institution, **THE BILLBOARD TOP 100**. There were disco selections, dance ballads, country and western numbers, and (can this be?) songs by old standby's like Gordon Lightfoot, Ella Fitzgerald and Bobby Darin. There was even one by Jacky Jocko, "I Love You, Buffalo." The explorer's heart leapt for joy at Dominique's civic pride. "It must be," he thought, "that Dom's patrons like these certain old standards and their opinions hold sway."

And where did this crystalline sound he heard come from? Why was it possible to speak to his fellow travelers at the bar with such ease, while others swirled on the compact dance floor with delicious abandon? Following playwright Ketti Fring's advice, he 'Looked Homeward Angel.'

There, near the ceiling, he saw speaker systems. One on either side of the room. Their indigo grille cloths hid drivers from his eyes. But the power of their decibelic contents created a veritable inland sea of sound to get lost in.

"So this must be the attraction of Dominique's," he thought. "A small, dark, smoky, friendly place where people know what kind of aural gratification they want. And know that Dominique will provide."

Wishing to find out what types of sound blend well with thundering water (and the evening being as young as it can be in this business), our golden-eared companion traversed the asphalt to Niagara Falls, New York. There he found two wonderful examples of the small bar species with sound systems fit for any aural palate.

The first was called The Itsy Bitsy Lounge. Once inside, the proprietress pointed him towards Danny who proudly displayed his version of the Great American JUKEBOX. The equally Great American JOBBER provided a varied surfeit of country and western, top ten and soul selections.

Speakers of shadowy but probably average origin were suspended here and there in the front and back rooms, linked to the Great Mother by carefully-hidden tentacles. Their pleasant sound quality spread like a soft blanket over the rooms and was not so loud as to drive any patron in search of ear cotton. "Ah!" thought our traveler. "Nobody here is hurried. I could spend the rest of my days here, it's so relaxing." But, alas, duty and destiny drove him onward to his next stop on the road in search of splendor in sound.

His tangerine took him to a wood-fronted building on Niagara Street, near the Convention Center, called Blueboy's. Crossing the threshold into its oak-paneled, red-carpeted interior, he was surprised to hear the familiar strains of some old recordings he thought had long been forgotten. "Lavern Baker and Jimmy Dorsey were never like this in the Air Corps," he mused.

**The JUKEBOX's sound**, mellow and golden as the lights over the dance floor, made him feel that at last he had found a place to come to when he wanted to get away from it all. There were no detractors of any kind: neither callgirls' challenges, nor other men daring him to compete. Just an abundance of Niagara Falls' most valuable asset - really friendly, warm people.

But heaven was not within his grasp that night. He doffed his khaki campaign jacket, straightened his imaginary gline and, to the strains of Judy Garland's "Over The Rainbow," stole out into the night made misty by the waterfall. He bundled into his car, patted its familiar dashboard and started back home.

As he was crossing Grand Island, he wondered if any other Gay bars in the area would let him tell the story of their dark, romantic jukeboxes.

## If you're gay, the joke in this scene is on you.

Jeff Bridges in drag in *Thunderbolt and Lightfoot* is just another example of the homophobia Hollywood has peddled over the years, from the "sissy" jokes of the silents to the paranoia and brutality of *Cruising*. In his brilliant new book, **THE CELLULOID CLOSET: Homosexuality in the Movies**, Vito Russo explains how Hollywood has adapted to prevailing attitudes, both in its veiled references to homosexuality (e.g., "buddy films," like *Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid*) and in explicit ones, like *The Boys in the Band*. 120 photographic stills.

**THE CELLULOID  
CLOSET**  
Homosexuality in the Movies  
— VITO RUSSO —



Harper &amp; Row

Paperback \$7.95

10 East 53rd Street, New York, NY 10022





SAUNA BATH • T.V. THEATER • REFRESHMENTS

LOCKERS • DRESSING ROOMS  
FANTASY ROOMS

"DAILY" LUNCHEON SPECIAL

\$2.50 Lockers

\$3.50 Rooms

7 AM - 3 PM

LIFE IS  
A BANQUET  
DON'T MISS IT!STUDENTS  
\$2.00  
ANY TIMEMOVIES • IN & OUT PRIVILEGES  
STUDENT RATES

ON SALE

- ☆ T-SHIRTS
- ☆ GUIDE BOOKS
- ☆ LUBRICANTS

- ☆ ASSORTED POPPERS
- ☆ MANY TOYS
- ☆ UNADVERTISED SPECIALS

☆ FREE ☆  
CONFIDENTIAL  
VD CLINICTHE  
Roman Sauna  
INC.109 NORTH ST.  
ROCHESTER, N.Y.  
454-1074

OPEN 24 HOURS

7 DAYS A WEEK

Cornucopia

-GAY PERIODICALS-

ADVOCATE  
DRUMMER  
INTOUCH  
MANDATE  
NUMBERS  
ETC.

POSTERS

LARGE SELECTION  
OF PAPERS  
NEW YORK  
TORONTO  
FINANCIAL  
WASHINGTON POST  
PHILADELPHIA  
INQUIRERALL THE CARDS YOU'VE BEEN  
LOOKING FOR OR HEARD ABOUT  
ARE HERE

CONTEMPORARY TO RISQUE CARDS

"Largest selection of Gay cards  
outside of New York City"Stuffed animals for all occasions  
see the new  
feather/leather animals in

69 Delaware Ave.

Open  
Daily 8:00 AM - 9:00 PM

886-8664

LIQUID AROMA SPECIAL  
\$3 WHILE SUPPLIES LAST!

A Special Congregational Service

**BEING HUMAN ...  
BEING GAY ...**

An Examination and Celebration of

**Gay Tradition ...****Gay Experience ...****Gay Aspiration.****UNITARIAN-UNIVERSALIST****CHURCH OF BUFFALO****695 Elmwood Avenue, Buffalo, N.Y. 14222****The Rev. Glyn Puce, Minister****Barbara Wagner, Music Director****SUNDAY, OCTOBER  
11, 1981 11:00 A.M.****Elmwood at West Ferry****(Use West Ferry Entrance)****Join us for the Church Service and****Coffee Hour thereafter!****Lay Service Coordinated by****William H. Gardner**



## The Media Watch

### Media Lawsuit Coverage; Gay TV Roles Axed

BY ROD HENSEL

BUFFALO'S GAY COMMUNITY MADE FRONT PAGE HEADLINES LAST MONTH With the story of Mattachine's Federal Court lawsuit filed against local law enforcement officials in an attempt to overturn the state's loitering laws.

The story is significant, not only because of the charges it makes against local police officials, but also because, if successful, it will have both statewide and national implications for Gays.

The Courier-Express placed the story on page one of its August 14 edition with the headline "Gays File Lawsuit to Challenge State Law." Reporter Greg Faherty quoted extensively from the papers filed in Federal District Court, and talked briefly with William Gardner, the attorney representing Mattachine. Faherty's story not only provided thorough and accurate coverage, but also a good explanation of why the suit was brought.

The Buffalo News played the story on its inside local pages with a much shorter story by-lined by Margaret Hammersly in its August 14 edition. It was rather obviously a re-write of the Courier story, and was down-played in keeping with local tradition that what is front page news in one paper is only worth a small story in the competition.

**HAMMERSLY'S STORY** appeared in the August 14 regional editions of the News since the paper had covered the initial story of the lawsuit in its metro edition the previous day (the News thus gets the actual credit for "breaking" the story.) But by the time the August 14 metro edition hit the stands, Hammersly's story was replaced by one by Reporter Dan Herbeck, who interviewed Capt. Kenneth P. Kennedy, chief of the Buffalo Police vice squad.

Kennedy told Herbeck that the suit was full of "damable lies" and denied photographic surveillance of patrons of Buffalo's gay bars. He also said, "My men do not masquerade as homosexuals," a rather odd statement if one remembers that just last year, his men were on television doing just that as part of the famous (or infamous) "Perverts in the Park" piece done by Channel 7's Eyewitness News.

He also accused gays of trying to establish a "marketplace for sex," which sort of conjured up visions of a very unusual flea market on North Street. He twice mentioned homosexuals and youngsters: once saying that was the only case where photographic surveillance was used, and a second time in a remarkable statement where he said that his office has complaints about "swarms" of homosexuals descending on various neighborhoods to "recruit, procure and pimp" young boys as street prostitutes. (The swarms have yet to descend on my particular neighborhood, but I do wait with eager anticipation.)

Herbeck didn't check with anyone from Mattachine for a rebuttal to Kennedy's statements, a practice justifiable since Kennedy was, after all, replying to the initial charges of the lawsuit. Herbeck, however, could have done a little less fawning over Kennedy. In the second paragraph, Herbeck tells us Kennedy has commanded the vice squad since 1962, and just in case we missed it, he is called a "veteran investigator" five paragraphs later. He also tells us about a "major probe" that was "successful in 1979 in breaking up a male prostitute 'stable.'" Do they ever do a "minor" probe? Do we ever hear about the unsuccessful ones?

The case is likely to go on many months and it will be interesting to see how the media covers it. Still to come is what kind of play the story receives in the gay news media across the country.

**TELEVISION'S NEW FALL** season begins shortly, and it looks as though the character of Steven Carrington on ABC's "continuing saga" of "Dynasty" will remain the only visible and positive gay characterization on the screen.

You will remember when "Dynasty" went into reruns, we were left at the trial of Steven's father, the wealthy Blake Carrington. Blake is accused of murdering his son's lover, Ted Dinard, and the audience knows Blake is as guilty as sin. The question is how ABC will handle the situation: it's either let Blake get away scott free for killing his homosexual lover, or sending their major character to jail and letting Stephen take over the family empire. Currently ABC is re-airing the episodes that led to the trial on Wednesdays at 10 p.m., and the new episodes begin in that time slot on November 4.

**THERE MIGHT** have been another major character this season who was openly gay, but Neanderthal thinking has prevailed over at NBC, America's last place network.

The program in question is Tony Randall's "Love, Sidney," the story of an aging homosexual raising a young girl. The pilot TV-movie made two subtle references to the fact that the character, Sidney Shore, was gay. But NBC, under pressure from groups like the Rev. Donald Wildmon's Coalition for Better Television (a quasi-arm of Jerry Falwell's Moral Majority, Inc.) decided that the series itself would make no mention of homosexuality. On October 5, the network will show the movie intact, but after that Sidney goes asexual.

Fred Rothenbery, television writer for the Associated Press, recently summed up the situation this way: "NBC lost a chance to be courageous. It could have raised the public consciousness on a sensitive issue and helped erase a stereotype. NBC could have kept Tony Randall's character homosexual."

Indeed, if ABC did it with "Dynasty," so could NBC with "Love, Sidney." But NBC executives continue to live in the past, and, so for millions of gay Americans this season, the jingle holds true that "Now is the time, ABC is the place."

### Parents & Friends Form National Organization

**LOS ANGELES** — Hoisting the acronym Parents FLAG as their banner, parents from seven states created a national federation Aug. 1 to build support for their gay sons and daughters.

Parents & Friends of Lesbians And Gays, as it is called, will provide support and referrals for local parents' groups in 30 cities in the U.S. and Canada, in addition to contact parents who provide peer counseling in two dozen other cities.

National education efforts directed towards schools, professional and other parents' groups, and support for gay-rights protections by government, are also on the agenda of Parents FLAG, according to the national board of directors elected at the two-day meeting.

The six board members, all parents and most of them the veterans of years of activity in their local parents' groups, established the central office of Parents FLAG in Los Angeles, with the address, Box 24565, Los Angeles, CA 90024.

It is the first time that parents have created a national federation whose leaders and spokespersons are drawn exclusively from among the parents of gays and lesbians.

## GAY BUSINESS IS GOOD BUSINESS

FOR YOUR *GAY-LA* OCCASIONS

### LEFF'S LIQUORS



500 Franklin at Allen

### 886-4526

ENJOY THE ECLIPSE  
**MOUNT GAY**  
AND  
**O. J.**  
(ORANGE JUICE)

### MOUNT GAY RUMS



"Made on the Island of  
BARBADOS for over 100 years"



## THE GAY HOTLINE

881-5335

for help with gay life

Mon..Thurs 6 to 10pm  
Fri..All Day

"Like a  
Phoenix  
From the  
Ashes"

Marrakesh

antique, recycled & new garb  
jewelry and gifts

140 Allen St. Mon.-Sat. 12 to 6

882-8200

on sale here GAYELLOW PAGES™

## EVERYDAY SPECIAL!

SWEETHEART ROSES \$7.20 DOZEN  
CASH & CARRY.

Bunch of 10 GLADS  
\$3.50

360 Delaware Avenue  
Buffalo, N.Y. 14202  
(716) 856-9000

HODGE/QUINN  
FLORIST

Tops in  
Toronto

The Club **t**oronto  
231 Mutual Street, Toronto

EC A member of The Club Bath Chain

## Gay lobbying group announces 'Plan for Action' in Congress

WASHINGTON — Citing the need to maintain the movement agenda to eliminate discrimination, the Gay Rights National Lobby has released the first half of its 10-point "Plan for Action." The Lobby will shortly distribute the Plan to local gay and lesbian organizations and activists nationwide.

In addition to a national petition drive — already well under way — the Plan includes development of GRNL's Constituent Network, mobilization of non-gay support, well-orchestrated opposition to the so-called "Family Protection Act," and direct meetings with Senators and Representatives while they are in their home districts.

Effective execution of these points could give the national lobbying campaign two critical elements which were largely missing previously, GRNL Executive Director Steven Endean stressed. Those elements, he said, are substantial constituent pressure and increased "respectability" as a "mainstream issue."

GRNL urged local groups to seek support from local chapters of supportive organizations such as the National Organization for Women, Americans for Democratic Action,

the National Women's Political Caucus, or the ACLU, among others. They also urged outreach to justice-oriented religious bodies.

One of the actions urged by the Lobby to add "respectability" to the issue is approaching local and state Leagues of Women Voters for support. Endean noted that National League policy calls for non-discrimination for all persons and, therefore, state and local Leagues can promptly come out for local, state, and federal gay civil rights legislation. Normally, the League of Women Voters must do a lengthy study of an issue before taking a position — but the National League policy on non-discrimination eliminates this requirement.

Endean described this as a critical point in the struggle for gay/lesbian civil rights. "In legislative terms, we believe it is critical that we maintain our high co-sponsorship and continue to press our high agenda," he said. "If there was reduction in co-sponsorship or we retreated from our own needs in order to maintain a strictly defensive posture, we could easily find ourselves in grave difficulty. These things have a way of 'snow-balling' on themselves."

## Cleveland group now owns community center

CLEVELAND — The GEAR Foundation here has become the first gay organization in the nation to own the building which houses its community center.

Purchased last fall, the building at 2641 West 14th St. is being financed by the renting out of five apartments and an office on the second floor. Two ground floor sections are also rented out, with GEAR's Gay Community Center and Gay Hotline operation occupying the center section of the ground floor.

GEAR (Gay Educational and Awareness Resources) is a non-profit, tax exempt organization which sponsors gay coffee houses and seminars, provides speakers to community groups, provides a hotline counseling service and publishes High Gear, the newspaper of Cleveland's gay community.

## Gay Civil Service Employee Group Forms

Ernest O. Reaugh, a gay leader in Albany, has announced plans to organize a delegation of CSEA (Civil Service Employees Association) members to call on the union to establish a Lesbian and Gay Committee within the union. This committee's purpose, according to Reaugh, would be to act as a watch dog for discrimination against gay people and to seek change in discriminatory policies.

CSEA is the largest government workers union in the State, representing not only the majority of state government employees, but also many county and city employees in New York State. CSEA has a long record of supporting gay rights.

Ernie Reaugh is on the staff of Senator Manfred Ohrenstein (D - Manhattan) Minority Leader of the New York State Senate and lead sponsor of gay civil rights legislation.

Reaugh cited an example of the actions this Committee might take. "Erie County (Buffalo), whose employees are CSEA members, has a written policy that any employee may be dismissed on moral grounds. This committee could ask the union to negotiate that sexual acts between consenting adults could not be grounds for a morals charge."

"This is a totally new approach to securing gay rights," Reaugh said, "If they are successful in establishing this committee, we can try the same in other unions."

"In order to put together a delegation to call on the union, Gay CSEA members must come forward to participate," Reaugh added. He asked that any gay CSEA member who is willing to assist in this project to please contact him:

Ernest O. Reaugh  
17A Old Hickory Dr.  
Albany, N.Y. 12204  
(518) 463-6975 - evenings

## FIFTH FREEDOM WANT ADS WORK!

**Arcade & Attica Railroad  
Trainride October 11**

**1:30 p.m.**

**\$4 Adults \$2 Children**

**Send**

**MONEY ORDER ONLY TO:**

**Train, P.O. Box 155**

**Ellicott Station**

**Buffalo, NY 14205**

**Or Call 886-2590**

**For Information.**



SElections by Sam

# Provincetown Offers Gay Vacation Time

by Sam

I anticipated eagerly the vacation my lover and I planned to Provincetown. There had been some form of cultural lag on my part about the place in that until only two or three years ago all I associated with P'town was its significance in the colonization of New England. Learning so recently that to gay persons it offered some of the attraction of San Francisco, albeit on a smaller scale, and some of the mood and activity of Fire Island, I knew it was a "mecca" of sorts and that I wanted to spend some time there. This summer of 1981 was to be the time.

I enjoyed just about everything about our week-long visit, and we have the slides and prints back that serve as reminders of all we saw and did. The pleasant accommodations made the physical accommodations part of our stay enjoyable, and their helpful hints of where to go were much appreciated. Arrival late Sunday afternoon got us there in time for the barbeque supper at one of the bistro-motels on the bay. I think it was then already that we knew we were in store for a good, fun week.

I regretted leaving at home my pedometer; it's a fairly new "toy" so I excused my forgetfulness on those grounds. How many times does one traipse up and down Commercial Street during a week in Provincetown? But certainly the fun of walking those narrow streets is not in knowing distances, but in the sheer joy of seeing so many good looking men. Stopping in at the Portuguese baker, other shops and galleries, visits to A House, the Boatslip, Pilgrim House, and the BackStreet were all enhanced by the dominating presence of guys, late teens, young men, middle aged men, our older brothers - MEN!

I reveled in seeing many of those males holding hands or having their arms around each others waists as they walked down the street. There were the treks through the sandy dunes to the nude beach and the chance to feel the hot rays of the sun where they usually don't reach directly. Of course, there were also the warm water "wadis", one of the natural wonders of the area. I felt a very special freedom to participate in all these activities in Provincetown knowing they couldn't last forever, that vacations do come to an end.

I felt annoyed upon realizing that my partner and I were seated downstairs away from the family crowd in a restaurant when we were preceived as gay by the hostess. As far as I could tell, everyone who went into that eating place did so to eat a meal. Non gay patrons had certainly encountered gays before their meals, and would not be shocked shortly after, so why the fuss? Actually, I felt very comfortable where we were seated, the service of the good looking staff was most attentive and enjoyed, the atmosphere pleasant, and the food was delicious. We returned to the same place twice during our visit, so you realize my annoyance was ameliorated by the total experience.

I was surprised to learn that an acquaintance I met on the beach one day was subsequently fired from his temporary menial job as a dishwasher because his employer learned he is gay. To be sure Bill had no trouble landing another job within a day, but there seems to be something incongruous about such a situation happening in Provincetown. These two restaurant incidents have made me wonder if the acceptance gay people find in Provincetown is really the open hand of making a really good living (greed?) rather than the open hand of fellowship on the part of year-round-non-gay proprietors and residents.

I was sobered now to the point of reflecting how many persons who call Provincetown "home" experience being homosexual but then they are unable to express their sexuality there. In short, how many closets are in Provincetown? It would be a situation nearly impossible for me to live with - all this freedom for the summer visitors, and essentially none for the local who fears reprisal from an employer, rejection by friends and family.

Perhaps Provincetown is like any other city in some respects. The difference may be in a more obvious double standard than we see elsewhere. Perhaps, the beauty of Provincetown is in the eye of the beholder. More later...

**THE RED CROSS IS IN  
NEED OF BLOOD FOR  
EMERGENCY USE.  
IF YOU CAN GIVE  
CALL THEM AT:  
881-7500.**

## National Conference Set For October

"The Moral Majority in Perspective" is one of the topics to be discussed by Del Martin and Phyllis Lyon at the Third National Conference on Gay and Lesbian Issues to be held in Chicago, October 23-25, 1981.

"Aging," "The Problems of Living in a Small Town," and "Lesbians and Gay Men: Divided We Fall" are other topics to be presented by the other major speakers and presenters: Louis Crew, Kenneth Martin and Bryan Teixeria.

Singers Tricia Alexander and Lori Noelle will perform for the opening and closing of the conference.

Discussion groups will be led on many additional topics: Bisexuality, Fair Fight Techniques, Cruising and Rejection, Legal Issues, Alcoholism, Parents and Spouses of Gays or Lesbians, Gays as Parents, Lesbians as Parents, Helping the Professional Understand Gay/Lesbian Issues.

For further information, contact Oasis Center, 7463 North Sheridan Rd., Chicago, Illinois 60626 or telephone (312) 274-6777.

## Arcade & Attica Railroad Trainride October 11

Mattachine will sponsor a ride on the Arcade & Attica Railroad on Sunday, Oct. 11, 1981. Reservations need to be made by Oct. 1 by sending a MONEY ORDER ONLY! for \$4 for each adult and \$2 for each child to TRAIN c/o the paper.

The ride will begin at 1:30 p.m. at the train station in Arcade, which is three miles east of Route 16, midway between Buffalo and Olean, N.Y. All trains depart from the bright orange depot in the center of town, where Route 39 joins Route 98.

You can take Thruway Exit 54 from Buffalo for 400 to South Wales and 16 to 39. Call 886-2590 for more details. Try and get car pools together for those who may not have a ride. It will be held rain, or snow, or shine because of the enclosed cars.

The fall colors should be at their peak by then and it should be beautiful. Hope to see you there!

# Stroh's BEER

## FROM ONE BEER LOVER TO ANOTHER

# BLUE BOY'S

520 Niagara Street  
Niagara Falls, N.Y.  
284-0152

## HAPPY HOUR

Monday - Saturday  
7-9 p.m.

## Sunday Tea Party

2 p.m. to closing



## BUFFALO CONUNDRUM 1981

Right now the greatest adventure in the history of Western New York is taking place. You're living in an area of discovery the likes of which have probably never been seen before. And yet, if you're like most other Western New Yorkers' you're missing out on all the action...no matter how curious or well-informed you are.

That, precisely is why Walter Yates Jones, an area marketing executive and a member of an old and distinguished Buffalo family is bringing you a new kind of adventure book. It's called CONUNDRUM.

CONUNDRUM (Kō NUN' drum) a kind of riddle based upon some fanciful or fantastic resemblance between things quite unlike.

CONUNDRUM will make the whole fascinating geography of Western New York more interesting and profitable to you.

CONUNDRUM brings Gold. 50 One ounce pieces of real gold, yours for the taking, and valued at approximately \$25,000.00. Buried somewhere in Western New York in 5 separate locations, is enough gold for your future nest egg.

CONUNDRUM is a collection of stories, rhymes, riddles, poems, codes, and fanciful art, parading as the key to this treasure trove.

All you'll need is the cleverness of mind, a map of Western New York and your copy of CONUNDRUM to find these 5 hidden locations.

Available through local booksellers, gift shops and many of your favorite stores.

Can you find it?

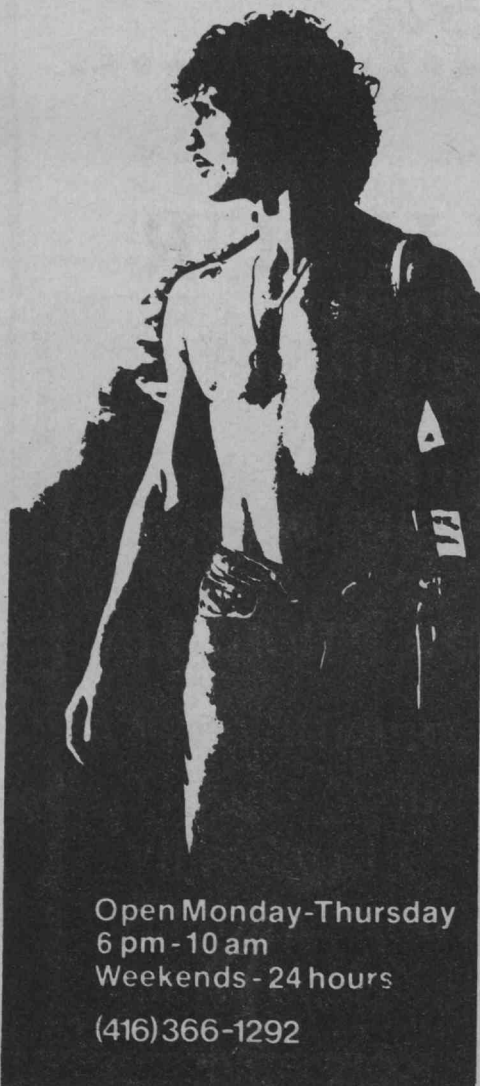


Lambda Omega Books - Buffalo

Distributed by: Fahey Publishing  
Clarence, N.Y. 14031

## THE BARRACKS

56 Widmer Street  
Toronto, Canada



Open Monday-Thursday  
6 pm - 10 am  
Weekends - 24 hours  
(416)366-1292

## National Business Council To Meet

Humanitarian singer Joan Baez is to be honored by the National Association of Business Councils during the first national lesbian and gay business and professional convention which will be held in San Francisco on Nov. 6-8, 1981. Ms. Baez will appear at the Plenary Luncheon of the convention, Saturday, November 7 at the Golden Gateway Holiday Inn. Honorable Paul McCloskey, member of the United States House of Representatives and a co-sponsor of the gay civil rights bill in Congress, will be the keynote speaker at the luncheon.

The convention is planned to offer lesbian and gay business and professional people from all over the United States the opportunity to meet, mix, and network their business interests. Programs include business meetings of the NABC, a cocktail party in the rotunda of San Francisco's City Hall, the luncheon, a theatre party, and a Sunday brunch. Two panel programs will be offered on Saturday morning on the subjects of "Tax, Estate, and Personal Financial Planning for Lesbians and Gays" and "How to Build a Strong Local Business/Professional Organization."

The National Association of Business Councils, the nationwide lesbian and gay chamber of commerce, was formed in 1979 as an affiliation of grassroots business associations from cities covering the length and breadth of the United States. The extraordinary diversity of business and professional endeavors among the organization's membership is indicative of the important presence of gay and lesbian people not only within their own community but in the mainstream of the American economy.

For additional information on the convention, write:  
NABC Convention  
P.O. Box 15054  
San Francisco, CA 94115

Created by Healy-Schutte & Comstock Advertising Ltd.  
© Buffalo Area Chamber of Commerce 1980

## Speak Your Piece.

*"Nightlife in Buffalo  
is a sampler's delight."*

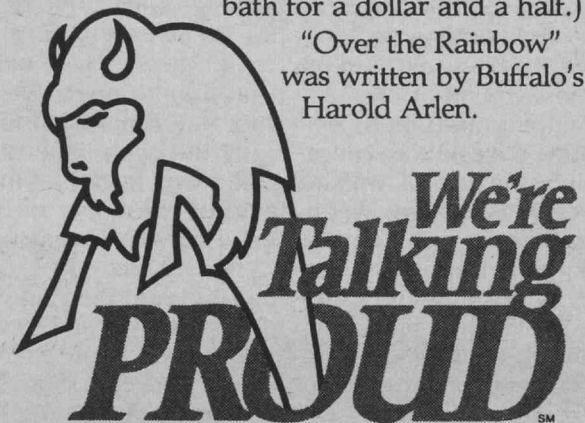
Visitors can sample a different restaurant every night of the week for more than 5 years without ever returning to the same place twice.

Spirits-on-ice were given the name "cocktail" here (in nearby Lewiston). Furthermore, to have one or two is cheaper than in practically any other city.

Montgomery's Little Harlem (still on Michigan Street) was an important stop for many blues and jazz singers including Billie Holiday.

Ours is the first Statler Hotel ever built. Also the first hotel to offer a telephone and bath in every room. (Slogan: A room with a bath for a dollar and a half.)

"Over the Rainbow" was written by Buffalo's Harold Arlen.



## Report from Capitol Hill

### "I MUST REFLECT MY DISTRICT."

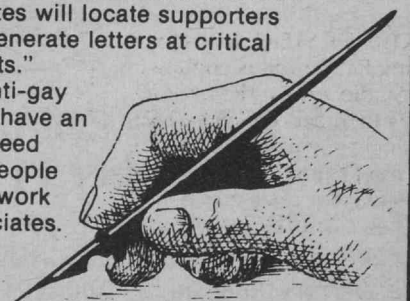
"Christian Voice", "Moral Majority" and other anti-gay lobbies often generate hundreds of letters from every Congressional district. These self-named "guardians of morality" flood the mails. And the Representatives and Senators hear their voices.

But Members of Congress say they almost never hear from pro-gay constituents. In spite of polls showing majority support for gay rights, they tell us, "Not in my district."

The Gay Rights National Lobby (GRNL) is working to reverse this pattern. We're building a National Constituent Network. The staff here in Washington and Field Associates will locate supporters throughout the nation. Then we can generate letters at critical times with "Congressional Action Alerts."

Our program is underway but the anti-gay foes will continue to win — unless we have an adequate staff to follow through. We need your financial support, the names of people who should be on the Constituent Network and the names of possible Field Associates.

Won't you take just a minute, right now, to help us — and yourself — to build a better tomorrow.



### GAY RIGHTS NATIONAL LOBBY

Your lobby in Washington... getting things done for you!

- I wish to contribute \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
I wish to become a member:  
☐ \$20 Regular membership  
☐ \$30 Household membership  
☐ \$50 Sustaining membership  
☐ \$100 Contributing membership  
☐ \$250 Business membership  
☐ \$500 Benefactor membership

Please note: The GRNL contribution and membership list is confidential.

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_  
State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

- ☐ I'm enclosing the names and addresses of people who should be on the Constituent Network.  
☐ I'm enclosing suggestions for possible local Field Associates.

Make check or money order payable to:  
GRNL, Post Office Box 1892, Washington, D.C. 20013



## The Fifth Freedom's

## GAY DIRECTORY OF BUFFALO



## INFORMATION &amp; ASSISTANCE

**THE GAY HOTLINE:** 881-5335. Counseling help with gay life, information on the gay community. Staffed by trained volunteers of the Mattachine Society. Hours: 6 to 10 p.m. daily; all day on Friday.

**SUNSHINE HOUSE CRISIS INTERVENTION CENTER:** 831-3646. Assists persons having emotional, family and drug related problems. Emergency outreach services, information and referral. Emergency overnight housing. Open 24 hours-a-day, seven days-a-week.

## PUBLICATIONS

**THE FIFTH FREEDOM,** P.O. Box 155, Ellicott Station, Buffalo, New York 14205. Tel: 881-5335. Volunteers needed to work on paper, including writers, artists, graphics people and photographers. Press releases, public notices and articles for publication may be submitted to the above address. Published the first week of each month. Advertising rates on request.

## ORGANIZATIONS

**MATTACHINE SOCIETY OF THE NIAGARA FRONTIER,** P.O. Box 155, Ellicott Station, Buffalo, New York 14205. Tel: 881-5335. Meetings held first and third Sundays of each month, Unitarian Universalist Church, Elmwood at West Ferry. Pot luck supper at 6:30 p.m. Meeting at 7:30 p.m. All welcome.

**GAY PROFESSIONALS,** P.O. Box 624, Buffalo, New York 14209. Tel: Tom Hammond, 842-2750. An organization to provide support for gay people in the professions and those who seek a confidential place to meet new friends. Open to all gay men and women.

**A.A. FOR GAY MEN AND WOMEN,** Tel: 853-0388. Meets twice-a-week: Wednesday at 8:30 p.m., Shoreline Apts., 210 Niagara; Fridays, 8:30 p.m., Ascension Church, corner Linwood and North. For phone contact, call above number and ask for a member of the gay group, or write: Open Mind Group, P.O. Box 395, Ellicott Station, Buffalo, New York 14205.

**STUDENT ASSOCIATION FOR GAY EXPRESSION (SAGE),** 118 Cassety Hall, State University College at Buffalo, 1300 Elmwood Ave. Tel: 878-6316. Organization for gay men and women at Buffalo State College. Office hours Monday-Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Business meetings, Wednesday Noon to 2 p.m.

**GAY RIGHTS FOR OLDER WOMEN,** Tel: 836-8970. Contact the Emma Bookstore at the above telephone number for additional details.

**GAY PEOPLE'S ALLIANCE (GPA),** 311 Squire Hall, State University of New York at Buffalo, 3435 Main St. Office hours Monday-Friday, 10 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Sponsors coffee house each Friday at 9 p.m. in 107 Townsend Hall (when school is in session). Formerly the Gay Liberation Front.

**U.B. MEN'S CENTER,** 211 Townsend Hall, State University of New York at Buffalo, 3435 Main Street. A drop-in center for all gay, bi-sexual and straight men. The center is open Monday-Friday from Noon to 5 p.m.

**DIGNITY/BUFFALO,** P.O. Box 75, Ellicott Station, Buffalo, New York 14205. Tel: 874-4139. An organization for gay Catholics and Christians.

**NICKEL CITY LEATHER/LEVI CLUB,** P.O. Box 897 Ellicott Station, Buffalo, New York. Contact the above for further information about the group.

**COUNTRY FRIENDS,** P.O. Box 106, Clarence Center, N.Y. 14032. Gay women's social group which meets outside city. Women of all ages welcome.

**GAY AWARENESS ORGANIZATION (GAO),** State University of New York at Fredonia, Fredonia, New York 14063. An organization for gay students at SUNY Fredonia. Meets Wednesdays, 7 p.m. Room S-123, Campus Center.

## BOOKSTORES

**EMMA FEMINIST BOOKSTORE,** 2474 Main St., Buffalo, New York (at Greenfield St.). Tel: 836-8970. Feminist and gay books.

**MARRAKESH,** 140 Allen St., Buffalo, N.Y. Tel: 882-8200. Gayellow Page directories, gay periodicals, lambda jewelry.

**TALKING LEAVES,** 3144 Main St., Buffalo, N.Y. Tel 837-8554. Christopher Street, The Advocate, Gay Community News, Body Politic, R.F.D., Gay Left, Outcome, Achilles Heel, Gay Insurgent. Gay novels and periodicals.

## BARS AND RESTAURANTS

**ALLEN RESTAURANT,** 16 Allen St., Buffalo. Tel: 881-0586. Serving lunches and full course dinners.

**THE BETSY,** 454 Pearl St., Buffalo. Tel: 885-8902.

**DOMINIQUE'S,** 20 Allen St., Buffalo. Tel: 886-8694.

**ME AND MY ARROW,** 274 Delaware Ave., Buffalo. Tel: 856-3291.

**VILLA CAPRI,** 926 Main St., Buffalo. Tel: 886-9469.

## OUT-OF-TOWN

**BLUE BOY'S,** 520 Niagara St., Niagara Falls, NY, 284-0152

**ITSY-BITSY LOUNGE,** 1149 Michigan, Niagara Falls, New York. Tel: 282-9717.

**LIZZY BORDON'S,** 3412 W. 12th St., Erie, Pa. Tel.: (814) 833-4360.

**BIG MIKE'S CAFE,** 201 Winsor St., Jamestown, New York Tel: 483-9267.

## BATHS

**CLUB AMHERST,** 44 Almeda St., Amherst. Tel: 835-6711.

**MORGAN BATHS,** 655 Main St., Buffalo. Tel: 852-2153.

**COLLEGE STUDENTS:** Need a room for school you can afford? Here is a room in a gay household with access to the entire house. Privacy assured. On two bus routes inbound and outbound. Very convenient to downtown and Allentown area. \$125 per month. If interested write: Room c/o the paper.

**CHAUTAUQUA, CATTARAUGUS and Allegany County Gays** sought to start support group for area: share problems and concerns, plan social activities, meet new people. If interested, please write Southern Tier Gays, c/o Fifth Freedom, P.O. Box 155, Ellicott Station, Buffalo, NY 14205.

**THE SUNSHINE HOUSE** needs volunteers to assist in providing services. Call 831-3436 for details.

Fifth Freedom  
WANT ADS

**\$2 for first 15 words, 10-cents each additional word. Send to FIFTH FREEDOM, P.O. Box 155, Ellicott Station, Buffalo, New York 14205.**

**GERTRUDE STEIN,** times three starring Pat Carroll is coming to the Studio Arena Theater Oct. 20-24 for 8 performances. Mattachine is getting group rates for this production. Call 886-2590 for details for price and performances. HURRY!

**GAY SUPPORT GROUP** trying to form. A small group of men wish to start a support group to talk about the gay life and problems that arise. Would meet in members' homes on a rotating basis. Write : Support c/o the paper.

**GROUP RATES** to Studio Arena productions this season. See the regular season plays for only \$8 during the week. Call 886-2590 if you are interested.

**BLACK PRISONER** seeks pen pals. Write Poncho Rawls, No. 73A1091, 2911 Arthur Kill Rd., No. C5-10/15, Staten Island, NY 10309.

**FOR RENT** - School Street Upper, 2 bedroom with stove/refrigerator included. Mature adult. \$140 plus utilities. Security deposit. 882-4625.

**GAY WEDDINGS** performed for men and women. Not a legal document. Strictly a religious service. Individual service written with personal thoughts, poems and songs. Call 886-2590 for details.

**LOVER PROBLEMS?** Feeling isolated? **GAY PROFESSIONAL** counseling - reasonable rates - confidential. Call 881-1809 for appointment.

**MALE TRANSVESTITE** 43 wants to hear from males or females of all ages for friendship and possible relationship. Varied interests. Must be clean, discreet, sincere, honest and caring. All answered. Write T.V. 43 c/o the paper.

**ALLENTOWN:** large one bedroom upper in century old brick townhouse. Newly remodeled and carpeted. Appliances and utilities. \$250. Plus security. 884-4953.

**LANDSCAPER WANTED:** Preferred horticulture and/or landscaping background. Send resume. Box 40005, Rochester, New York 14604.

**APTS. FOR RENT:** 3 two bedroom and 1 bedroom \$135 and up plus utilities. Off street parking. Westside. Call evenings.

**APTS. FOR RENT:** 3 room apartment with bath. 3rd floor. Partially furnished, includes utilities. Near bus routes. Available Oct. 1. \$175 per month. Call Jim or Don 884-8198.

**WRITER-EDITOR** available to free lance work or full-time projects. Reports, resume, P/R, brochures etc. Telephone 881-4437

**GWM,** 20, good-looking, straight acting and appearing. Stud and jock, seeks similar GWM's 17-25 for friendship and possible relationship. Not into bars. Am looking to meet people in the Buffalo and surrounding suburbs. Please no queens, S&M or drugs. This is not a quick jump in bed ad. Into sports, bikes, records and good times. Reply with phone and address to: GWM c/o the paper.

**SUGAR DADDY** sought by white male in early 30's. Able to give much love and companionship in return for badly needed financial support. Honest, sincere and loyal. **NOT MONEY FOR SEX ONLY!** Letter will receive honest reply. Write: S.D. c/o the paper.

**THE GAY YELLOW PAGES** helps you find gay businesses in any city in America. Sale proceeds benefit Mattachine Society. On sale now at Marrakesh, 140 Allen St.



# STIM FREEDOM

A PUBLICATION FOR THE BUFFALO GAY COMMUNITY

September 1981    **FREE**

## INNER THOUGHTS

### Poetry from the Buffalo gay community

#### "Thing Called Love"

It causes pain, it causes sorrow;  
Always wondering what will  
happen tomorrow.  
Will it be hard or will it be fine?  
Will it be whiskey, or will it be wine?  
Your absence creates an empty  
space,  
Your presence provides a loving  
embrace.  
This thing called love, engraved in  
my heart;  
Shall forever remain, if we ever part.  
If you should go away,  
And years begin to fade memories;  
Erasing lines of dialogue,  
Making vane the dates and places.  
. . . my lips and skin  
will still remember.  
My hands will still know  
All the contours;  
And clearly feel  
The touch of you.

Thom, Toronto

#### Photos/Negatives

The pictures that I look of you  
and pasted in my book  
bring back the memories of our past  
that I often have to look  
at happy times that we once shared  
when you and I were one  
climbing trees and swimming lakes  
and kissing in the sun.

But darkness comes and colors fade  
to shadows once again  
the tears begin to fall from my eyes  
just like the autumn rain.  
Though I'll survive like I have before  
my life is not the same  
as when my love was free to take  
and in my life you came.

Kenneth T. Mathews

#### the shell

watching the others  
around me  
and i wonder how  
they look like they do  
and i look like this  
for someone says i am cute  
yet i feel that i'm not  
then i see someone  
who i think is gorgeous  
and they don't want me  
because i look like this  
but there is more than on  
the outside  
on the inside  
so say some people  
if the outside has beauty  
so does the inside  
but only of a different kind  
that tells how to love  
how to care. . . how to feel  
and without that  
there is just an empty shell  
that just lays there

dave martin

#### hot lunch

i've carried this love for you  
. too long  
thinking that we could make it  
. . . you saying we couldn't  
having heard your voice  
lifted my spirits  
then having you say  
that it can't. . . once again  
(they then tell lower than before)  
i keep asking myself why  
am i torturing myself holding  
on to you  
while i know we can never  
again be  
there must be something  
keeping me  
. . . in love with you  
maybe it was your smile  
maybe it was your wink  
maybe it was your looks  
maybe it was your personality  
maybe it was your class  
there are no maybes about it though  
it is you

dave martin

#### 10-20-80

There doesn't seem to be a place  
where I fit exactly in,  
to feel my body up against  
somebody else's skin.  
To smell the fragrance of the soap  
he showered with today  
and listen closely through the night  
to anything he'd say.

Oh how I wish I'd find this place  
before I go quite mad.  
I know there has to be this place  
'cause I am not so bad,  
so I will pray every night in bed  
that God will someday see,  
that there will be a special place —  
a special place for me.

Kenneth T. Mathews

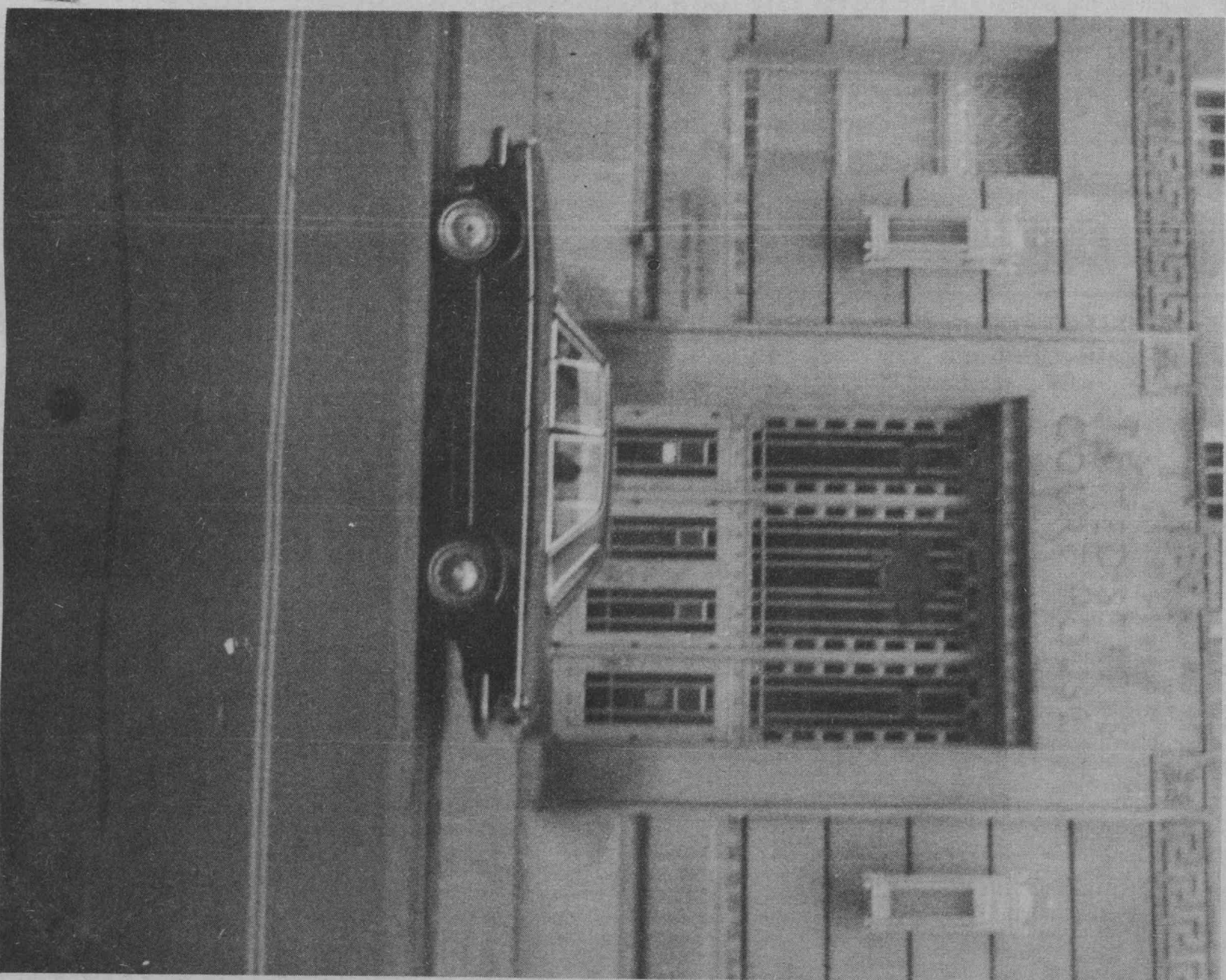
#### with the one you love

I'm feeling the pressure  
of your body  
on top of mine  
and your muscular arms  
are holding me down  
while our breathing is becoming  
more intense  
i see the fire

alive in your arms  
and our sweating bodies  
are glistening in the darkness  
our bodies then merge  
and become one  
the pain and the ecstasy  
overwhelm the past  
while visions of the past  
flash before our eyes  
both of us having thoughts  
of this nightly routine  
and then i feel. . .

. . . the cuddling embrace of your  
arms  
while i fall asleep  
with you by my side  
and dreaming and realizing  
that you are the only one for me

dave martin



## INSIDE:

—*Mattachine's Federal Lawsuit*  
—*The Allen Restaurant Expands*  
—*Our Regular Columns*